

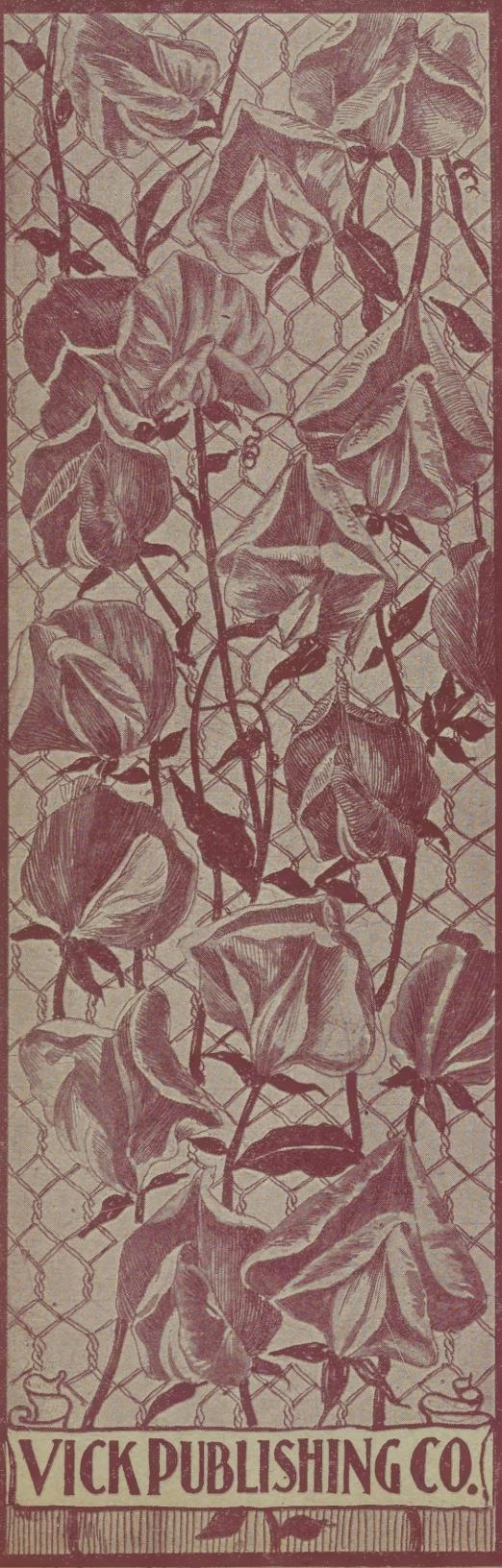
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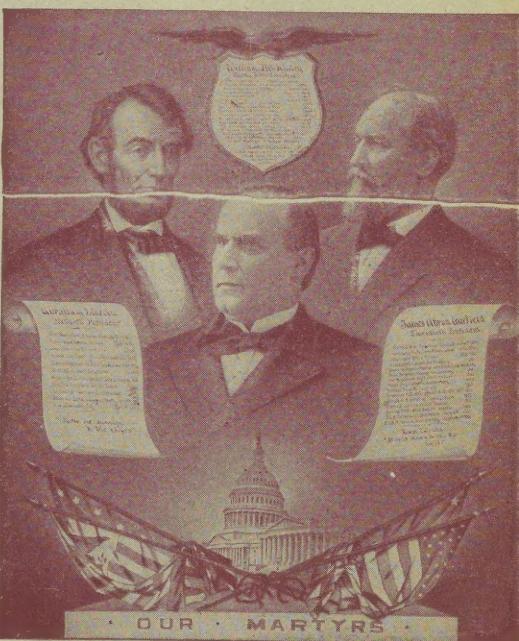
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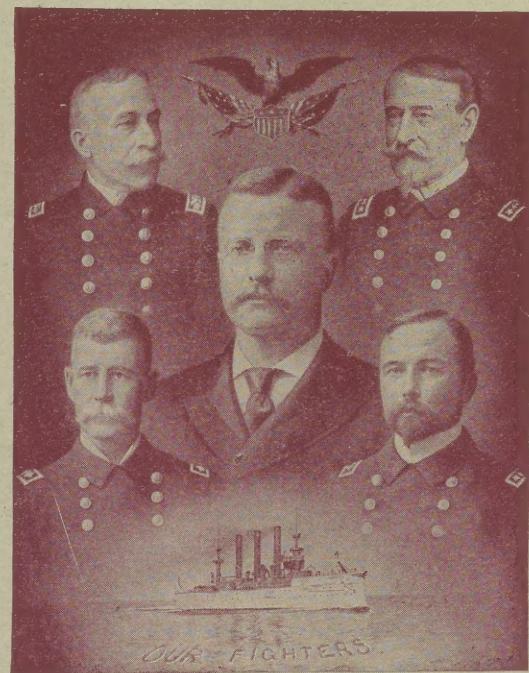
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DAFFODIL AND NARCISSUS

"What is the difference between a Daffodil and a Narcissus?" is a question often asked. The Journal of Horticulture answers the question in the following way: "Daffodils are all Narcissi, though all Narcissi are not Daffodils. Only those Narcissi with trumpets longer than the length of the perianth segments are properly Daffodils."

Under whatever name they properly belong, however, they are always sweet and lovely, although the common, old-time, homely name Daffodil comes more readily to our lips than Narcissus, and carries a charm which the other somehow seems to lack.

From the earliest times down to the present, poets have sung of the beauty and sweetness of the Narcissus and the Daffodil. Homer and other poets, Greek and Roman, sang of Narcissus Tazetta—"the flower of a hundred heads that delights all men and lends a glory to the sea and sky." Shakespeare wrote of the—

"Daffodils

That come before the swallow dares, and take
The winds of March with beauty."

Keats said of the Daffodil: "A thing of beauty is a joy forever," and Wordsworth's poem, "The Daffodils," has become a classic. In our own day, Mr. George H. Ellwanger, in "The Garden's Story," writes most charmingly of them in mellifluous prose, making every reader long to own a garden and fill it with Daffodils alone.

The hundreds of varieties named in the Daffodil catalogues render it difficult to make a choice, for as you read the descriptions each seems more bewitching than any which preceded it, and you end in a bewildered state of mind, vainly wishing you might have them all.

The old Van Sion, the well-known true Double Yellow Daffodil, such as flourished and bloomed in the old-time gardens, is a prime favorite, and, perhaps, more generally grown than any other variety; whether massed in beds or scattered around in the grass, the golden blossoms are equally cheering and charming. But we have to admit that some of the newer varieties are beautiful almost beyond compare. What could be finer or more exquisitely charming than Horsfieldii, with its white perianth and yellow trumpet, and Empress with its rare beauty, of the same type? Emperor with trumpet of immense size and the whole flower of rich, golden yellow; Princeps, sulphur white with yellow trumpet; Golden Spur with extra large, rich yellow flowers and broad foliage; Leedsii, pure white with lemon yellow cup; and Henry Irving, a magnificent flower of bright yellow with beautifully frilled trumpet are other fine varieties.

One of the oldest, sweetest, and most beautiful of all the Narcissus family is Narcissus Poeticus, or Poet's Narcissus. The snow white corolla contrasts beautifully with the greenish yellow cup, so daintily rimmed with red, and its fragrance is delightfully refreshing, never overpowering. The remembrance of it lingers with us from year to year.

Narcissus Poeticus plenus, the double Poet's Narcissus, is a beautiful flower, but it is a delusion and a snare for most cultivators, the buds almost invariably blasting. I thought this might be caused by a lack of water at the proper time, and so experimented last spring by supplying a bunch with

an almost unlimited quantity, but it was of no avail; not a blossom rewarded my labors, and the question as to what causes the buds to blast remains unsolved.

It is recommended that Daffodils and Narcissus should be cut for indoor decoration when the buds are opening, and the stalks should be left long, as the flowers can then be grouped better. Put as many blossoms together as you wish, but each kind should be in a separate glass. Don't bunch them; let each blossom have room enough to show itself in all its beauty. Try some Narcissus Poeticus around the edge of a glass with Parrot Tulip blossoms in the center, and see what a charming effect is produced. Use the leaves of the commoner varieties of the Daffodil for cutting, as the flowering of the following year depends on the full development of the leaves, and with expensive varieties one would wish to run no risks.

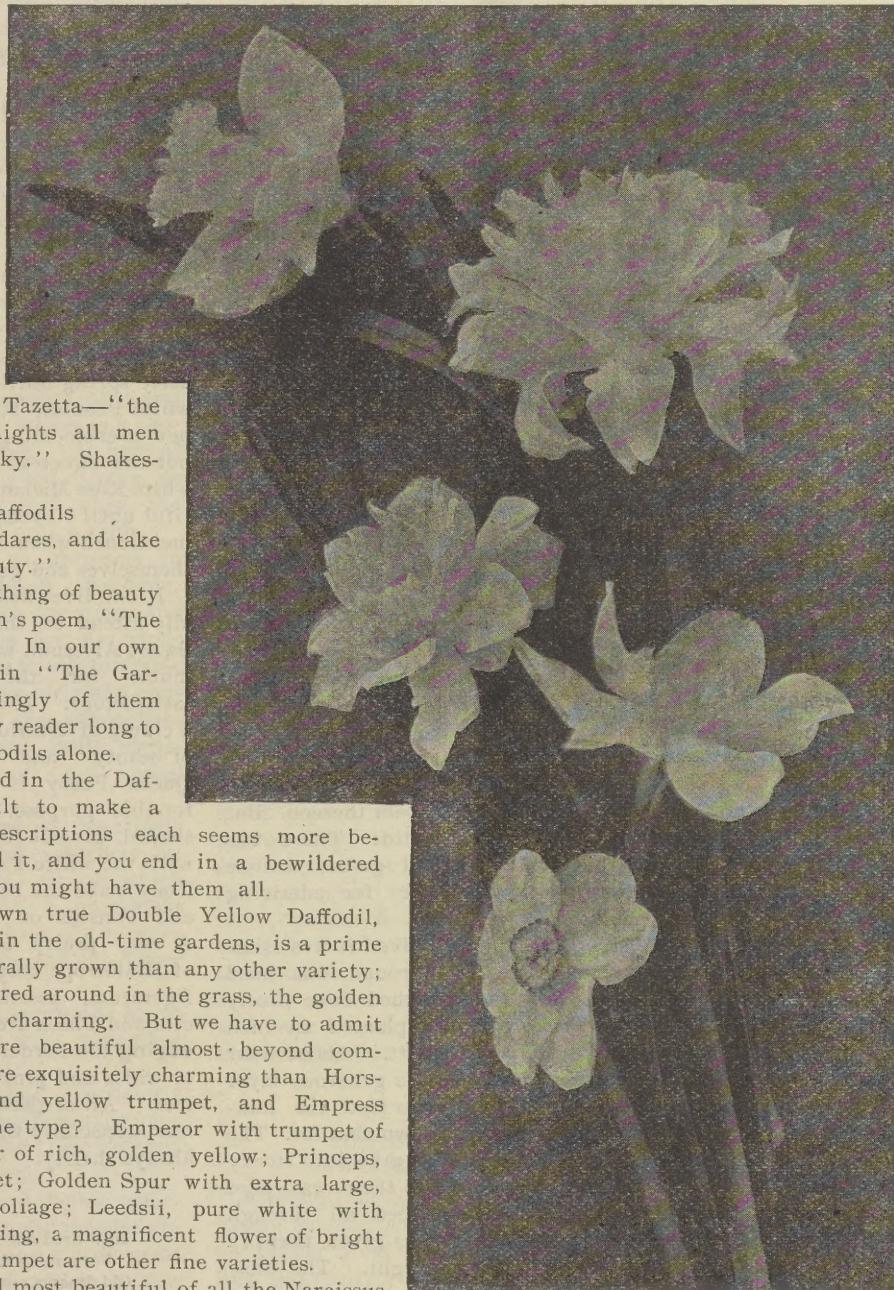
The climate of England is better adapted to the growth of the Daffodil than ours, and the "daffodil fever" rages there with great severity. The flower is seen everywhere, in gardens, streets, and houses. Daffodil societies exist and annual exhibitions are held which people travel long distances to attend. A kind of Daffodil mania exists at the present time and some new varieties command exorbitant prices; others no money can buy, as those who own them are so proud of them.

In Ireland much land is devoted to their culture, and the enormous quantities and the high values of choice bulbs which can be grown on an acre of suitable land are astonishing. "Ah, sure," said a man one day at Rush, "these roots beat potato growing; they beat creation entirely; and it's rowlin in money you'd hev to be to touch 'em at all, at all, they're so dear to buy."

The soil of the Scilly Islands consists almost entirely of sea sand, which seems to be specially adapted to Daffodils and Narcissi and the islands are largely devoted to their culture. The plants grow luxuriantly in long rows, and where well sheltered the stalks are sometimes nearly a yard in length. The blossoms are collected and conveyed to the farmhouse where the flowers are sorted and tied in bunches, a dozen stalks to a bunch. From fifty to seventy bunches fill a basket, which is then ready for Covent Garden.

In our own country Daffodils are being more largely cultivated every year. In California they are being raised in large quantities for the market, and one cultivator has gained the title of "The Lady of the Daffodils," from her success in growing them. A more charming industry can scarcely be imagined, and it would seem that more women might find congenial and profitable occupation in this line in suitable locations.

Florence Beckwith,



TUBEROUS BEGONIAS AND GLOXINIAS.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

Of all our summer flowers nothing compares with these Begonias and Gloxinias. Only a few years ago it was thought that Begonias must be grown in the house—and only in the house, but during the last few years they have become extremely popular for bedding as well as pots. So far as my experience goes they are no harder to care for than a Geranium and respond to your attentions as quickly and gratefully.

Purchase bulbs in March or April and don't make the mistake of answering any advertisement that you happen to see; if you do the chances are that your bulbs will be of very inferior quality. Begonia bulbs are not expensive now, and it pays to buy of a well-known dealer. Be sure and give good drainage. For soil, I have always used garden earth and a good deal of sand, then given liquid fertilizer when they began to grow. In about two weeks they will begin to sprout, and then they grow quite rapidly. The foliage is very handsome, and in addition to this the beautiful, large blossoms are borne all summer long. A pink one that I measured last summer was four and one-half inches in diameter. In the fall, when they are done blooming, withhold water and either leave in the pot or else pack in sand or sawdust, and in either case keep away from frost. There are both double and single varieties; both are beautiful, but the single has the largest flowers. They may be had in white, shades of yellow, pink, scarlet, and dark crimson. The pale yellow ones are extremely beautiful.

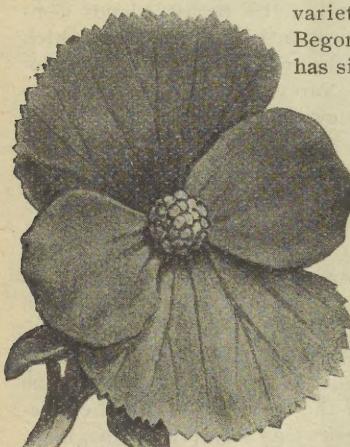
Gloxinias are heat loving plants, so the warmest corner must be selected for them and they also like to have a dark place in which to sprout. Last year I put my bulbs in moss and set the dish containing them on the mantle near the stove. They rooted quickly, and when the sprouts had a few leaves I transplanted, moss and all, to four-inch pots. The moss has to be kept moist. Be sure and give good drainage. This is important for all plants, but for bulbs especially. Gloxinias like the morning sun and when in bloom should be given a good deal of water, and some fertilizer at least once a week. The Gloxinias of today are vast improvements over the old kinds. The foliage itself is beautiful, the large velvet-like leaves sometimes completely hiding the pot, but the flowers are the crowning glory. They are large-throated flowers and of the most exquisite colorings, sometimes self-colored but oftener tinted, spotted or edged with some contrasting color.

Coquette has large white blossoms beautifully mottled with delicate pink or blue and lemon-tinted throats. Snow Queen is a large pure white variety. Scarlet Queen has large, dark, rich, crimson-scarlet blossoms. The blue ones are lovely, as are all the different tigereed and spotted varieties. The Bearded Begonia, a new variety, has single blossoms, of

good size, bearing on each petal a dense crest or beard composed of curiously twisted threads, which gives the flower a most peculiar aspect. Have you tried these favorites of mine and failed? Forget the failures and try

again this year with renewed courage.

Ethelyn.



TUBEROUS BEGONIA

CUPID SWEET PEAS.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

During the past three or four years I have read quite a bit concerning these new dwarf members of the sweet pea family but did not experiment with them until in the summer of 1899. Then for the first time I planted a goodly amount of the seed and waited for results, which I am happy to say were so entirely satisfactory that I have grown to consider the Cupid Sweet Peas as one of the finest acquisitions along the line of floral novelties. Now and then I read complaints regarding these peas, and to me they seem rather strange and unexplainable when I recall my own felicitous experience with them. It seems that those who failed so dismally with the youngsters must either have slighted or coddled them to death; but may be I am mistaken; I am—sometimes. My seeds were planted with some such an injunction as this: "Now my dear young sirs, you are at perfect liberty to do as you like about coming up and behaving like gentlemen. I suppose, I'd a little rather you'd act nicely, but if you don't see fit to, it will be all the same to me. I shall not waste more than a gallon of tears whether you come up or stay down. You are unfortunately too small an affair to mourn very extensively over."

The seed evidently pondered well over this mental discourse for every Cupid came up and behaved like a gentleman, which of course was much the wiser plan. They grew and they grew, after the fashion set by a certain turnip much renowned in the realms of literature. In a comparatively short time their neat healthy foliage had formed a thick and compact mat of gray green which alone would have been pleasing to the eye, even

if no Cupids had seen fit to blossom thereon. But they did see fit to; indeed they did! There was hardly a day but what I could gather a nice little nosegay for my desk or for admiring friends who chanced along.

As to the care the Cupids received it was simple in the extreme. First, the ground was hoed down deep and mellow and smoothed over nicely before sowing. The seed were planted an inch deep and a good three inches apart. About four inches beneath them I had placed a generous layer of old pulverized stable compost to feed the hungry roots after they had grown down that far. The seeds were up in no time and soon grew into stocky little plants. The ground around them was kept nicely hoed and weeded and mulched all through the summer. As for water, it was given them in copious quantities almost every night. The blossoms were picked clean from the vines twice a week; thus no seed pods formed or ripened and the Cupids flourished until fall. The seeds were planted the second week in May and had the full benefit of the sun. They were sowed in one long row across one end of my rosebed. The white and pink varieties were mixed and the effect was very pleasing. My own experience and the experience of a near neighbor has convinced me that

Cupid Sweet Peas are indispensable to a first class flower garden and they ought to be provided wherever possible. I am only waiting until some enterprising seedsman offers a bright scarlet Cupid like Firefly, or a rich purple one like Henry M. Stanley; then I am going forth into

my flower garden and prepare some ribbon beds that will cause the neighbors to utter low sad moans of envy.

Benjamin B. Keech.

FLOWERS FOR THE CEMETERY.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

When living at a distance from the cemetery it is often difficult to keep a country lot as beautiful as we would like during the hot and dry summer months. I have found hardy bulbs and hardy plants the most satisfactory. For white flowers in the early spring we may have the Crocus, Lily of the Valley, White Hyacinth, White Tulips and Narcissus Ornatus; later comes the beautiful Candidum Lily. These bulbs will give a continuous display from the first Crocus in early spring until the white Lilies in June. Then white Peonies, hardy flowering white Pinks, the new everblooming white Chrysanthemum, and last but the sweetest of all, that dear old-fashioned white Rose Madam Plantier will keep the lot beautiful until November. All of the plants and bulbs mentioned when once established will take care of themselves and grow and bloom for years.

If one lives near the cemetery and can occasionally attend to the plants, white Geraniums and Sweet Alyssum, with white Asters and Chrysanthemums for the fall months, will be very satisfactory. If one wants something extra nice, a clump of Clotilde Souptet roses will be "a thing of beauty" and one to be remembered. Snow Queen Pansy is one of the very best of plants for this purpose, and if the situation is much shaded, as some lots are, white Begonias and Ferns with the white Pansies will make a lovely display. They make the best appearance when only Ferns and Pansies or Ferns and Begonias are used. A very pretty effect is obtained by a clump of Heliotrope bordered with sweet Alyssum. Blue Ageratum, perennial Poppies, Verbenas, Mignonette and Phlox are all nice. Lobelia is fine for edging the borders. A clump of white Gladiolus, or white and pink, makes a grand display in summer. All of these need attention during the summer, especially the Heliotrope, which seems to be always thrifty.

Annice Bodey Callaud.

A RAINY DAY.

How tired one gets of a rainy day
For a rainy day brings back so much:
Old dreams revive that were buried away,
And the past comes back to the sight and touch.

When the night is short and the day is long,
And the rain falls down with a ceaseless beat,
We tire of our thoughts as we tire of a song
That over and over is played in the street.

When with vague unrest and nameless pain,
We hunger and thirst for a voice and touch
That we never on earth shall know again—
Oh, a rainy day brings back so much.

Selected.



GLOXINIA (Drooping)



GLOXINIA.

SELECT ANNUALS.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)



CALIFORNIA POPPIES.

ly and cheaply in large quantities from seed, than any other flowering plants. When we consider the rapidity of their growth, the small outlay for the seed and the grand display some of the varieties make, we can readily understand why annuals are very much cultivated.

One dollar, or even the small sum of fifty cents, judiciously expended in the seeds of annuals, will make quite a flower garden. Annuals vary greatly in their habit of growth, some varieties are of a low spreading habit; as mignonette, nasturtiums, and verbenas, while others form handsome single plants, such as the poppy and aster; and yet still another class makes vines such as the moonflower and gourds.

Few plants even of the most expensive character can form a more brilliant bed than poppies, both double and single varieties. The same can also be said of salvia or flowering sage, which is a constant bloomer from July until frost. A bed of salvia makes as brilliant and continued display as the handsomest zonale geraniums, and when the cost is compared, the salvia bed is only a trifle.

A bed of the double poppies is as gorgeous in flower as peonies, which they closely resemble. Petunias are beautiful annuals, both the single and double varieties. The double ones are as handsome as roses and are lovely flowers to use for table decorations. They begin flowering early and continue a sheet of bloom throughout the whole season until killed by frost. They are easily cultivated, requiring only a rich soil and sunny position.

The improved strains of asters are so beautiful, as to be really rivals of the chrysanthemum. There are many varieties of asters, all of which are beautiful and well deserving of a prominent position in any flower garden. Asters are very handsome for both table decorations and cut-flower work.

The double balsams are now so improved as to be revelations of beauty to those who remember the old favorite garden annual.

Double flowered Centaurea Cyanus (Bachelor's Buttons), are very pretty and free-flowering annuals, being pure white, blue and rose colors. They are largely used for cut-flowers.

California poppies, both single and double varieties, are among our most beautiful and popular annuals, being of the easiest culture and giving great satisfaction. They begin to bloom within a few weeks time, from spring-sown seed, and continue to flower profusely until late in autumn. The colors are white, yellow, and scarlet. This annual makes a brilliant bed of flowers while the foliage is very fern-like and beautiful. The old varieties formed plants only twelve inches high, but this annual has been so much improved that some of its varieties now measure twenty-four inches in height, while the flowers are correspondingly large.

Annuals are noted for the abundance, beauty and brilliancy of their blossoms and the majority of people cultivate them more extensively than other flowers. They can be produced more quickly

measuring three inches across. The blossoms, when cut, will keep in water for ten days or more.

Nasturtiums make showy beds of flowers with their gorgeous masses of colors, lasting through the entire season and growing in the poorest soil, in which they seem to blossom even more abundantly than in rich.

Verbena, pansies, double portulacas and phlox Drummondii, make showy beds of flowers, but they are not very good for cutting as they wilt quickly unless put at once into vases of water, when they make pretty ornaments for the dining table. The portulaca and phlox Drummondii both stand drought admirably and have been wonderfully improved lately.

The double ten-weeks stocks are very showy and desirable flowers being highly fragrant, easily grown and of such great beauty that they deserve a place in every garden, representing a great diversity of colors.

Double annual dianthus or pinks are very beautiful and satisfactory flowers for summer gardens.

Mignonette is perhaps the most popular annual grown; not that it is showy, but on account of its deliciously fragrant flowers which are indispensable for bouquets. There are more than a dozen dis-

tinct varieties of mignonette each possessing distinguishing characteristics and all desirable.

Cosmos is a very popular annual and has recently been very much improved, both as regards early flowering, and in having a wider range of col-

ors. Some varieties now begin to bloom in July and continue until a freeze in late autumn.

DOUBLE AND SINGLE POPPIES Annuals embrace a very large class of plants but these here mentioned are the cream of the collection. These flowers are specially desirable for making quick growth, also for their inexpensiveness, many sowing their own seed after the first season. Persons who are not settled and cannot plant flowers for permanent effects, find that choice annuals serve their need admirably. Therefore, all who expect to have a home in any place for the summer months, can adorn it with some of the select annuals and the trouble and expense of doing so will be so slight that they will be both surprised and delighted at the results.

Emma Wilson.

HARBINGERS OF SPRING.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

Although the trees are still bare and leafless and nature has not yet thrown off her wintry garb and put on her dress of green, though the nights are cold and frosty yet there are signs of the general "breaking up."

The days are growing longer and now and then the sun shines out with summer warmth and we are lured out of doors without our heavy wraps, only to be met by unexpected chilling winds which hurry us back to our homes; but the gardeners are bestirring themselves and putting in readiness their rakes, hoes and spades; and the children are getting out their baskets and looking forward to

their first long ramble in the woods. As spring approaches and the ground begins to soften we watch impatiently for the dainty little snowdrops, violets, and crocuses to awake from sleep, but they are timid, unostentatious and fearful of lifting their heads too soon in greeting to our favorite many-colored Primroses and double yellow Daffodils which will soon appear in profusion and tarry with us until the first of June.

Among the earliest spring flowers, we look for the beautiful pink and white blossoms of the Bleeding Heart and we never tire or have too many of the deep hued Tulips and Hyacinths, of which there are a great variety. Hyacinths, though not as graceful in form, yield a brilliant mass of color which is toned down by their tender green leaves. At this time of the year when we are watching and waiting, who is not drawn a little nearer to Nature by anticipation? Who does not go back in mind to childhood days and "grandmother's garden" with its wealth of scarlet Poppies and great beds of gorgeous Peonies?

There is a great deal of pleasure derived from the care and cultivation of plants either in the garden or living rooms of the home, and a person who does not love flowers is very rarely found. Who has not seen a hurried business man on his way to office or store turn aside for a moment to give a pleasant word or to slip a few loose coins into the hands of some little street vendor? But there are comparatively few who know or think much about the wonderful varieties of plants and flowers, or their times and seasons of growing, yet their successful cultivation depends almost wholly upon the knowledge of their nature and habits.

Edith Griffin.

FLOWERS FOR BUSY PEOPLE.

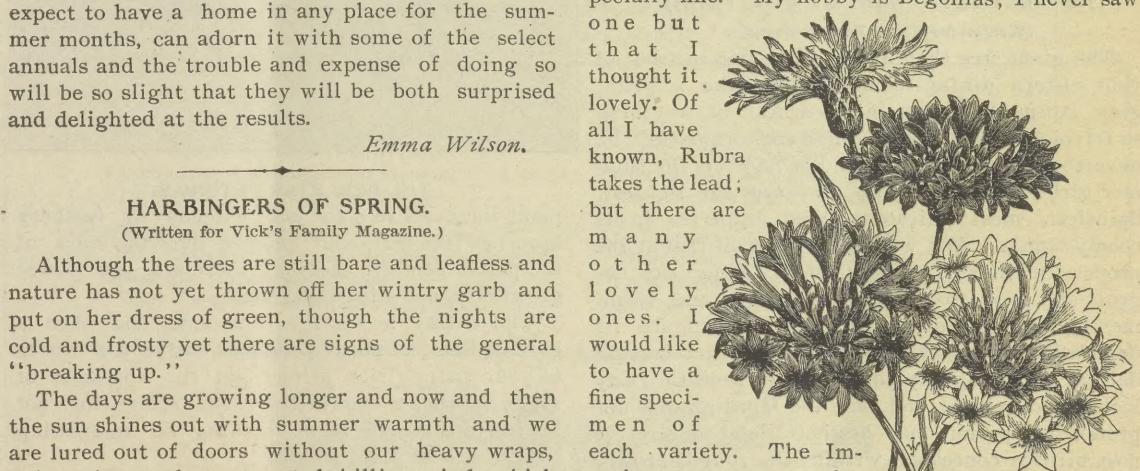
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There is no flower that will amount to very much unless more or less attention is given it; but for summer blooming out of doors (any situation) with the least care, I have found nothing to equal petunias. If given a half chance they will brighten their particular corner all the time. Drought may seem to have ended their cheery existence, but when at last the rain comes, the new growth and the bloom will amaze you.

Oxalis floribunda is the next best one I have tried. There are flowers that have finer bloom, but no flower I know of, in the line of houseplants, will give forth as much cheer as the oxalis under such adverse conditions. Give rich soil, care and water to the improved sorts of petunias, and there are many "fine" flowers that will not do as well, nor furnish nearly the amount of beauty. The same with the improved oxalis; the Duchess is especially fine. My hobby is Begonias; I never saw one but

that I thought it lovely. Of all I have known, Rubra takes the lead; but there are many other lovely ones. I would like to have a fine specimen of each variety. The Impatiens are every day bloomers, but they are tender plants. With precautions against frost, a pot of Impatiens will furnish cheer every day, winter and summer.

Emma Clearwater.



BACHELOR'S BUTTONS



OLD-FASHIONED FLOWERS.

A brown-roofed dwelling among the hills,
Where breath of clover the soft air fills,
Where in springtime the purple lilacs bloom,
And the iris rises from lowly tomb;
The snowball stands by the narrow walk,
The lily nods on its slender stalk,
And glowing bright through the warm May showers
Are the colors of gay, old-fashioned flowers.

Years creep by, but that lovely place
Wears in mem'ry the same sweet face;
Restless footsteps afar may roam,
But the heart clings fast to its childhood's home;
And windowgarden or greenhouse fair,
Stored with tropical blossoms rare,
Can never bring to our later hours
The charm of those dear old-fashioned flowers.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine by Emma Eggleson)

THE NEW STAR PETUNIA.

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In the field of floriculture a new and beautiful Petunia called "Howard's New Star," is being offered by many of our leading seedsmen in their 1902 catalogues.

We are pleased to present an illustration from a photograph two-thirds average size of this novelty, with the following description from the originators. This beautiful new strain of Petunias was developed by a long course of selection cross-fertilization and breeding, covering a period of over twenty years.

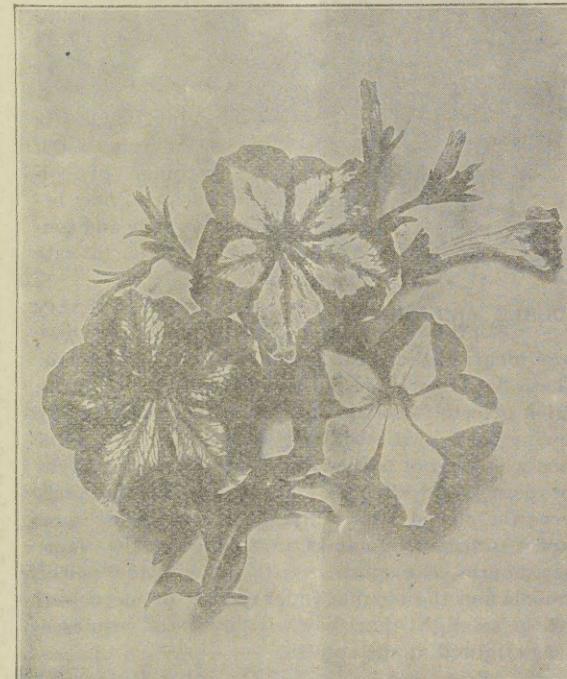
The ground color of the flowers is a dark, rich crimson maroon, with a velvety depth and richness which cannot be described. From the center start the points of a five-rayed star, which broadens half way up, narrowing to a point at the margin of the flower. The star, from which the name is taken, is a very light blush pink, some almost white, which deepens in color as it reaches the margin and finally blends with the maroon ground color. The outline, however, is sharp and decisive. Over eighty per cent of the plants from seed will produce the star markings. Others, with veined and feathery markings on dark or light ground, are not less beautiful. The plants branch freely and attain an average height of eighteen inches by twenty-four or twenty-eight inches in diameter. They are remarkably prolific bloomers, single plants producing from fifty to one hundred or more fully expanded flowers at a time. The blooms are about two and one-fourth inches in diameter.

THE AESTHETIC SIDE OF THE PEANUT.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

The giant tree that stands all winter in front of your eastern dining-room window like a grim, gray, storm-beaten sentinel scornful of anything so frivolous as vesture that is mere ornament, is, nevertheless, at heart, as fond of finery as the summer girl herself, and, like her, keeps the lightest, daintiest, most delicately-tinted draperies in its roomy trunk. And we know very well that at the proper time it will bring them all out by shy degrees and robe itself with a freshness and shimmering elegance that will fairly transfigure its denuded dignity. Nature takes a sly, recurrent delight in hiding gay potentialities beneath rusty looking coverings; and even the familiar and unpretentious peanut has aesthetic and decorative possibilities concealed within its rough, brown, crackling coat as well as a long-recognized commercial value, not to speak of the moral support that it is always on hand to give to the management of the circus and county fair.

of the South test the quality of their seed every year by planting single peanut kernels in small six or eight-inch pots. These are kept moderately moist for awhile and behold! they germinate and grow rapidly into graceful, soft-tinted plants with beautiful golden blossoms. The celerity with which the seeds will grow in this way and become a blossoming delight has suggested to Southern flower-lovers the possibility of making the useful and ubiquitous peanut something finer than a dingy commercial commodity—even a beautiful ornamental plant to add cheer and brightness to those dark places in the universe, at least where other oral resources may be lacking. As the



THE NEW STAR PETUNIAS.

plant increases in size and extends its feathery branches like marabout plumes over the sides of the pot in pendent fashion, there are few flower growths of more intrinsic beauty.

The dainty leaves are compound and have a curious habit of closing together—like the leaves of your little girl's primer—at the approach of night or when a shower from the sprinkling pot begins to fall upon them, making an interesting little quirk of plant life.

This handsome peanut plant is no green, ephemeral wonder enduring for a few days and then dropping its leaves from a withered stalk, but, later, there will appear tiny yellow flowers and

then assertive little peduncles on which are to grow bona fide nuts, imparting a striking and unique charm to the sturdy little blossoms. There is nothing else just like it in all the big plant world, and every progressive florist throughout the country might well add the graceful peanut plant to his list of floral attractions. At any rate, our busy home maker with the love of flowers and the singing heart, might place it in some of her sunny windows or outside nooks, as one of the many ways by which to bring color and cheer into her small kingdom, for she and I know well that flowers and little children are the best things that God ever made. *Stillette Peyton Burke.*

SOME GOOD PLANTS.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

The prevalence of articles on perennials and shrubs, is a gratifying one, for many busy ones will perhaps have more flowers than if they depended upon annuals. Old fashioned gardens all had their borders of perennials, or better than perennials, and it was a style that should be practiced now.

One vegetable garden had wide mounds thrown up on either side of the walk, and thirty years after they were made there was a yearly harvest of flowers all summer from the hardy plants grown therein. The roots had been protected and cultivated, but there had been no renewals of plants.

There were sweet old May pinks, winter verbenas, mixed tulips, peonies, bleeding heart, yuccas, and the mounds were a lovely sight all summer long. Many were the "roots" given to less fortunate friends, and many bouquets were gathered therefrom.

Among good old plants and shrubs, besides those mentioned above, were snowballs, lilacs, Japan quince and roses; now there are few better shrubs of the new ones, than hydrangea paniculata, the spireas, golden glow, azaleas, and the newer lilacs and Japan snowball.

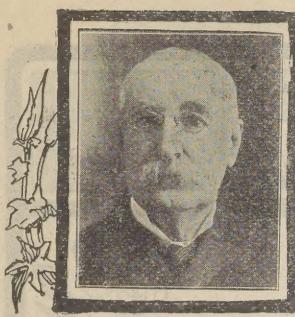
Perhaps the perennial phloxes head the list among the hardy plants, but dianthus pinks, sweet williams and Alleghany holly-hocks can hardly be said to take second place. We all know and admire the cheerful chrysanthemum. Given rich soil, cultivation and protection during the winter, and no one need be without an abundance of lovely flowers from early spring until frost, if they will select judiciously from the list of hardy and perennial plants. *Emma Clearwaters.*

PRUNING HARDY ROSES.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

Prune roses, generally, in the month of April. The practice is to prune the stronger young shoots back to an average of four eyes; badly placed weakly ones about two eyes. The cross shoots, which are likely to interfere with the future growths of the ill-placed ones, are best cut right away. Attention must be given to maintaining the form of all standards in neatly round contour. Dwarf roses, if vigorous and healthy, give better show of bloom if not cut back quite so severely as is suggested above. By leaving just one more prominent bud upon each shoot, a great difference will result both in the volume of foliage and number of flowers each plant will carry. When pruning is finished, the surface of the bed or borders should be neatly stirred and mulchings of short manure, if not previously applied, may with much benefit be given to all. Wall climbing roses should have strong young shoots laid in quite two-thirds their length. Summer, or one season flowering varieties, such as Crimson Rambler, etc., bloom better the more young growth (in reason) is retained upon them.

A. V. Meersch.



FLOWER-GOSSIP

By Eben E. Rexford.

FUCHSIAS.

Now is the time to start new plants of the Fuchsia for summer flowering. I am aware that the impression prevails among many amateurs that the Fuchsia is a winter bloomer. They will keep their plants winter after winter, hoping for and expecting flowers and almost always they fail to get any. The fact is, that with one or two exceptions the Fuchsia is strictly a summer bloomer. When the thoughtful amateur considers that this plant blooms steadily and profusely during six months of the year, he will see that it is expecting and asking too much of it to insist that it shall go on blooming for the other six months. No plant could stand such a drain on its vital force.

The Fuchsia is grown to the highest perfection in a soil made up of pure leaf-mold and sand. If leaf-mold is not to be had, use turfy matter. If you can get neither, use the best soil at hand and make it as light as possible. This plant is one that will do fairly well in almost any soil that is not hard and heavy, but leaf-mold suits it best. Young plants should be put into small pots at first. Too large a pot checks, instead of assisting, the growth of the plant in its early stages. Always drain the pots well and aim to keep the soil quite moist. The Fuchsia insists on plenty of water at its roots. If at any time it is allowed to get dry it is liable to drop both leaves and buds very suddenly. The Fuchsia loves shade and moisture and must have both in order to do well. It also likes a liberal amount of pot room in which to develop its roots. If allowed to get cramped or pot-bound, it will receive a check from which it will take it a long time to recover. The proper way in which to grow this plant well, is to shift to larger and larger pots as soon as the ball of earth is filled with roots. Cuttings started in spring often grow to be three or four feet high, with many branches, by the end of summer, but the plant is at its best in its second or third year. Then it will have a strength and dignity which no young plant has. It will reach the height of a man's head above its pot, be covered with long, drooping branches, well-laden with bloom, and be truly a "thing of beauty."

It is best wintered in the cellar. Set away in November or December, after allowing it to become somewhat dry at the roots. It can be cut back when put away for the winter, or that can be attended to when you bring it up and repot it in the spring. It is a very good plan to let the cutting back go until the plant begins growing after repotting. As it puts forth buds which show where the branches are to be, you can prune it with more certainty of getting it in the desired shape than you could before growth began. Plants stored in the cellar should be brought up and repotted early in the spring. Do not be alarmed if they have lost their foliage, if the stalks are plump and green.

CHRYSANTHEMUMS.

In order to make the most of a Chrysanthemum, it should be taken in-hand as early as possible in

the season. On this account I prefer to start my own plants each spring from roots of choice sorts.

I put the pots containing the roots of desirable sorts in the cellar each fall after the period of bloom is past, and keep them there without water or any attention whatever until March. Then I bring the pots up, and in the majority of cases I find that a great many sprouts have started up from the old roots. I give water and light, and in a short time these sprouts take on a healthy green and begin to make vigorous growth. Then I cut them apart. It is almost always the case that a sprout can be separated from the old plant with a few roots attached. Those without roots will very soon form some. I use small pots at first, filled with a rich compost. The Chrysanthemum is a gross feeder and can hardly have too rich a soil. A great deal depends on the start it gets, and I would advise those who attempt its culture to provide a strong soil from the beginning.

In order to develop your plants fully and steadily, it will be necessary to shift them to larger pots as fast as the soil is filled with roots. They will require three or four shifts during the season. When you have them in ten-inch pots, —by the middle of September, if proper care has been given them—let them alone.

Another very important item is water. A Chrysanthemum must have all the water it wants in order to do well. It should be watered every day during summer and thoroughly. Make it a rule to water your plants every evening.

If your soil is very rich, it will not be necessary to give liquid manure before the blooming period begins; but if you have only ordinary soil it will be advisable to apply a fertilizer at least once a week, and twice a week is better. As I have said, a strong and vigorous plant can hardly be given too much food.

The shape in which your plants are trained will depend on your individual taste. In order to grow them as shrubs, with branches from the bottom, nip off the top of the young plant when a few inches high. Branches will start at every leaf. Let these grow to be six or eight inches long, and then give them a nipping. The flowers may not

be as large as on plants with fewer branches, but what is lacking in size will be made up in quantity.

If a tree shape is preferred, let a straight stem grow to the height of two feet or more, then nip off the top. Keep all the branches that start along the stalk rubbed off, up to the point where you want the head to form. Let a half dozen branches grow there and pinch them back as soon as they have made a few inches growth. In a short time you will have as many branches as will be necessary to give a bushy, tree-like top. Give the plant a stout stake for support, as the stalk is brittle and easily broken.

About the time that you see buds are forming, give at least two applications of manure water weekly. If you cannot obtain liquid manure, use soap suds, wash water, or anything that has something in it on which the plant can feed. It is not at all particular about what it has to eat, so long as there is enough of it.

These instructions are for plants kept in pots during the summer. If you do not care to give them as much attention as plants in pots always require, you can turn them out into the garden, where they will make a strong growth if the soil is rich. But when you take them up in the fall the roots will be injured more or less, and in consequence of this the plant will receive something of a check. It will not give as fine flowers as a plant which has not been disturbed. If you want the finest flowers, keep the plants in pots. I would never advise plunging the pots, for it is almost impossible to keep the roots from getting too dry.

There are four items of importance to be regarded in Chrysanthemum culture, if you would grow fine specimens. First, early starting of the plants; second, a strong, rich soil; third, plenty of room for development of roots; fourth, plenty of water.

We have no finer fall flower. It comes in rich and brilliant colors, and the list of varieties is a long one. No window garden is complete without at least half a dozen. As soon as the period of bloom is past, set the pots away in the cellar for the winter.

Eben E. Rexford.

HEPATICA.

Out on the hills in the mild spring weather,
So early that only the blue birds knew—
Thousands of little flowers grew together,
Purple and pink and white and blue.

Now the sun shines warm and under our feet
They nod and smile, though branches are bare,
So daintily hued and faintly sweet—
What blossoms of summer are half so fair?

While the March storm raged and fretted and wept,
And froze the song in the blue-birds' throats
'Neath matted leaf-blankets they soundly slept
Close wrapped in their soft fur overcoats.

And the sweet old sermon is preached again
Of life from death, to the doubter's need,
Of rest after struggle, and grief and pain,
The text? "The Lord is risen indeed!"





A Pair of Tight Boots

By
CLARA AUGUSTA.



Mr. James Caswell's wife had been dead six months, and Mr. Caswell had worn a weed on his hat, and kept his handkerchief in his eyes, whenever the dear departed was mentioned, with the most exemplary propriety.

At the end of six months he considered that he had done his duty by the first Mrs. Caswell, and felt himself at liberty to be looking around for the second lady of the same name.

He needed a housekeeper, and his five little children needed the care of a mother.

He had fixed his eyes on the Widow Biggins, and, all things considered, perhaps he could not have made a better choice. She was about his age—forty-two; she was good looking, had about three thousand dollars' worth of property, and had just been jilted by Jeremiah Jenkins. And a woman who has just been jilted is generally all ready to heal her broken heart with another specimen of the same faithless sex.

Mr. Caswell broke the ice by sending the widow a squash. He raised a large quantity of squashes, and the bugs devoured all the widow's vines. Mrs. Biggins responded by sending him a mince pie with her compliments. And the next Sunday night, Mr. Caswell called to tell her how fond he was of mince pies, and how nice he thought hers was. After this the acquaintance progressed rapidly. Mr. Caswell bought a new buggy, and ordered a new pair of boots.

"Make 'em to fit close, Mr. Laster," said he, to the busy little shoemaker. "Seems to me I ought to wear eights instead of nines."

"Can't do it, sir," said the little man. "You've got a bunion as big as an onion on your right great toe, and your heels is the longest I ever seed, except on a gentleman of color."

The boots were finished, and sent home on Saturday night, and on Sunday Mr. Caswell had engaged to drive the widow over to Stilton Four Corners to church in the new buggy, and with the new boots on.

Early Sunday morning he began his preparations. He put on the thinnest pair of stockings he had, and made a trial of the boots. But they refused to go on. They were neat and handsome, and genteel, but they would not begin to make the acquaintance of Mr. Caswell's understandings. He tugged, and pulled, and sweat, and swore—all to no purpose.

The time for starting for Stilton drew nigh. He called in his two hired men—stalwart brothers—named John and Sam Steele. They took hold with a will—one hold of one strap, and the other hold of the other, while Mr. Caswell planted himself firmly in his chair.

And the result was, over went Mr. Caswell, chair, Sam, John, and all, upon the floor, breaking the dinnerpot to flinders, and nearly knocking the life out of old Rover, who was sunning himself just behind his master on the hearth.

Caswell got up and rubbed his ringing head with vinegar.

"Confound it!" said he, "I didn't think it would be such a tight squeeze. Try it again, boys! I'll sit in the window this time, and see if you can pull the side of the house over!"

It was a long pull, and a pull-all-together, but it was all in vain.

"It's no use," said Sam, wiping the sweat from his forehead; "your stockings will have to come off."

So the stockings were removed, and by dint of a great deal of perseverance, the boots were got on to the feet intended for them.

The horse was already harnessed to the new buggy, and donning his Sunday beaver, Mr. Caswell limped out, and climbed into the carriage. The boots hurt awfully, but his feet looked pictures in them, he said to himself, contemplating them with admiration, and he had heard the widow admire small feet a great many times.

He soon had her by his side—radiant in a new pink bonnet and a green shawl, and they bowled right merrily over the hard track to the Corners.

The pain in Mr. Caswell's feet had subsided from the acute into a dull, sleepy ache—he seemed to feel cut off from his knees down—but what does a man care for feet and legs who is in love, when in the presence of the beloved object?

The conversation was sweetly interesting—he had managed to squeeze the widow's hand under the buffalo, and she had blushed and giggled just as he remembered the first Mrs. Caswell did when he was courting her.

Stilton was reached all too quickly. The services had not yet commenced, and the people were standing about under the trees in knots of half a dozen, talking of the weather and the crops.

Widow Biggins was smilingly triumphant. Caswell's was the finest turn-out in town, and she knew her new hat was becoming, and realized that she was killing half her female friends with envy. No wonder the woman was happy.

Caswell threw down the ribbons, and sprang lightly to the ground. But alas! he had forgotten his feet, which by this time were as good as dead from the terrible compression they had undergone, and when he struck it was on his head instead of on his feet. His new beaver was smashed in, and in falling off, it brought with it the "scratch" he had paid five dollars for, a few days before, to conceal the bald spot on the top of his cranium.

His fall frightened the horse—she set up her head and tail and with a frantic snort set off at a rousing pace down the road with the widow screaming and clinging to the seat of the buggy.

The sight of his former flame in distress, was too much for the tender heart of Jeremiah Jenkins; who was standing by. He unhitched old Dobbin, and springing into the wagon set out in hot pursuit.

This conduct maddened Caswell. He forgot the pain in his feet, and springing up he gave a great stamp which no shoemaker's thread could abide! The stitches gave way—the leather parted, and Caswell's feet protruded at right angles like the heads of two estranged turtles.

Down the road they all went at a slashing pace—first the widow in the new buggy—then Jeremiah in the old red wagon, then Caswell on a clean gallop with his long hair streaming behind, and then about a score of young men and boys, forgetting that it was Sunday, and that the minister saw them, in their eagerness to join the race.

The widow had climbed over the seat of the buggy, and was evidently intending to jump out behind—Jeremiah was urging on Dobbin and screaming to her to hold on—and Caswell, when his blown state would permit, was swearing like a trooper.

Faster and faster went Caswell's horse, when suddenly one wheel struck a stump—the buggy was annihilated, and the widow bounced out on a bed of juniper bushes. Dobbin thought it was about time for him to distinguish himself in some way, so he turned suddenly out of the road, leaped a low stone wall, cleared himself from the harness, and went to feeding.

Jeremiah ran to the widow—lifted her up, said a few soft words to her with which we have no business—and she hid her face in his shirt front, and snivelled.

And when a little later, Caswell met the interesting couple they were riding together on old Dobbin, the widow with Jeremiah's arm around her, and her pink bonnet badly smashed, reclining on his shoulder.

It was all up with poor Caswell. He realized it instantly. A woman will forgive a man readily enough for being a sinner, but for cutting a ridiculous figure never!

Caswell tried to make his peace with her, but was very coldly told that he need not trouble himself to call on her, her time was very much taken up.

A month afterward she was married to Jeremiah Jenkins, and on that day Caswell burnt his tight boots with a grim sort of satisfaction that showed one plainly enough how the iron had entered his soul.

THE DAFFODILS.

I wandered lonely as a cloud
That floats on high o'er vales and hills;
When all at once I saw a crowd,
A host of golden daffodils,
Beside the lake, beneath the trees,
Fluttering and dancing in the breeze.

Continuous as the stars that shine
And twinkle on the Milky Way,
They stretched in never-ending line
Along the margin of a bay:
Ten thousand saw I at a glance
Tossing their heads in a sprightly dance.

The waves beside them danced, but they
Outdid the sparkling waves in glee:
A poet could not but be gay
In such a jocund company.
I gazed and gazed, but little thought
What wealth the show to me had brought.

For oft, when on my couch I lie
In vacant or in penitve mood,
They flash upon that inward eye
Which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills,
And dances with the daffodils.

Wordsworth.

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The Post of Honor.

I lately passed by the front of one of our great city hotels. The windows were heavy plate glass, and were bright from recent polishing. Then I came to windows less pretentious, behind which was the scullery; and to the gratings, beyond which were the engine room and the stokers' quarters; and I asked myself: "Where, in this establishment, is the post of honor?"

I know that the owner or lessee sits in the inner office, and that his will governs the workers and the work. At his right is a series of bells, which will call any department head whom he may wish to see. In the outer office, in direct contact with the guests, is the man who appears to own everything, and who may seek to convince you that all things mundane move at his nod. The orders of the owner are law; but the smooth running of the departments depends on the capability and application of the men and women who are in charge, and not on these only, but on every employe down to the boy latest hired. So the post of honor is there where anyone stands charged with a duty. He can make it very honorable, and at times conspicuous, by his faithful meeting of its responsibilities. There are times in the year when the stoker has in his power the comfort or discomfort of the wealthiest guest.

The thought applies universally. Sometimes men are placed in circumstances which bring out in clear relief their trustworthiness, and by these occasions they win promotion. But the every-day steady, unflinching meeting of obligations as fast as they occur is just as sure of recognition, and as worthy of it, as is the deed done in some critical moment, which the world sees and applauds. So many are unwisely assuming that all one has to do is to be ambitious, make a bold strike or two, and the result will be realized without much struggle or care; that idea needs to be corrected.

I knew a lad who, when asked what he intended to do when he commenced his life work, said: "I have not decided whether I will take charge of a diamond counter, or command a European steamer." He has since learned, by bravely facing a combination of hostile circumstances, that no man comes to the quarter deck of a liner by the captain's stateroom, but by the hard knocks of the forecastle and busy submission to rough orders. And he will learn, if he does not know it already, that any place, from that of cabin boy to that of first mate, is for the time, a post of honor.

Do you say that you have known some who, though they were dawdlers, have reached places of prominence? Well, it was because they "had a pull," and when the "pull" ceased they slipped out of the places. A youth had far better owe his promotion to himself than to the most powerful friend at court. He will stand on his own legs, and not on his neighbors'; and, though his neighbor's may be

stronger, his own will be better for him.

A man of my acquaintance was in business for himself. He was always running up against a wall. He was honorable in his motives, but could not keep his agreements. He failed again and again. He fell into the habit of laying his failures at the door of somebody else. Either some man would not loan him money to tide him over some financial bar, or some creditor was not considerate enough, and pressed him when he was in a corner. He never acknowledged the true reason. It was this: He was not able to carry on business for himself. Either his education in honorable business methods had been neglected, or he was incompetent to put into practice whatever good plan

he may have possessed. His place was a post of dishonor. The case was further complicated by the fact that both his family and his church were involved. I have no idea that he would have deliberately harmed either; but the trouble is that when a man gets going on a wrong road, he is obliged to take every result which comes in that particular way, and must share all the sad fruits with those who journey with him.

The last I heard of him was that he had accepted a position in the employ of another, and was doing well. He had found his post of honor. Any man would better be a good clerk than an unreliable employer; better a faithful stoker down under the level of the sea, in the very heart of an ocean

steamer, where the man is only known by the good results of his doing, than a prominent man whose name is a stench in the nostrils of the commercial world, and whose word and bond were repudiated by all honest men long ago.

Oh, young man! Young woman! Fill out the circumference of your sphere, however small or large it may be. Make yourself so useful and indispensable that you will naturally overflow into a larger work. Be more anxious about your own size than about the size of your sphere; and a needy world, which is always making room for valor, and pluck, and goodness, will make room for you.

W. T. Worth in Epworth Herald.

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A. H. NOONEY.

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A. H. Nooney.

Chief Engineer, State Capitol Building,
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MISS ALICE BROWN.

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Conducted by Stella M. Alderson

WHICH LOVED BEST.

"I love you, mother," said little John; Then, forgetting his work, his cap went on, And he went on to the garden swing, And left her the wood and water to bring.

"I love you, mother," said rosy Nell; I love you better than tongue can tell." Then she teased and pouted full half the day, Till her mother rejoiced when she went to play.

"I love you, mother," said little Fan; Today I'll help you all I can; How glad I am that school doesn't keep!" So she rocked the baby till it fell asleep,

Then stepping softly she fetched the broom, And swept the floor and tidied the room; Busy and happy all day was she, Helpful and happy as child could be.

"I love you, mother," again they said— Three little children going to bed. How do you think that mother guessed Which of them really loved her best?

OUR LETTER BOX.

You really cannot guess how proud I feel, my Bright Eyes, boys and girls who are calling me Aunt Stella and taking me at my word enough to write me those little letters. Now I'll tell you a secret. I mean to keep everyone always. It need not trouble you at all if you cannot write well—indeed, it is a sweeter compliment to see that some one has toiled hard over a letter to me. So you see I am no critic and your mispelled words only please me—they seem more like really truly children. Of course some of you stand high at school but the others who do not need not fear to write.

By the way, when will some little boy or girl, not over five or six years old, write me a Chinese letter? It would be delightful, and remember I shall not burn one letter. This time I am happy because Roy Johnson, Turkey City, Pa., has written a real boy letter. He is nine years old and I believe him when he says he had lots of sleigh-rides. Moreover he is earning books. Let us try hard, boys, to boom Vick's Magazine with so many new subscribers that our editor will smile.

If I do not mention all who have written this time you must promise not to get angry. But even if I do need the space for other things I really must specially thank Jessie Curriston, Inkerman, Ont., for she has not only been friendly enough to write a nice letter, but carefully copied the story of "Buzzibus," and sent it. This proves her thoughtful, a reader of good things and unlike "Johnny," the cruel giant who tortures "Buzzibus," the unfortunate fly, before he kills him, possessed by a desire to protect helpless things. Your letter, Jessie, is so good I wish you would describe to me how the schoolhouse looks, and describe your farm, the trees, etc.; tell me what birds you hear, see, and know.

Question: How many birds can you name on sight or by sound? Let all reply. Your Aunt Stella is determined to learn much about them.

Question: How much do you think boys should learn of housework, and why?

OUR STORY—PINKIE BLUE'S APRIL FOOL.

It was the first day of April. The air was sweet with the smell of the early dew, and the opening blossoms of the crocuses and hyacinths in the little garden plot, and of the lilac flowers and springing grass along the garden borders. Pinkie in her fresh blue gown and little white apron, trimmed with pink, of course, ran from the breakfast table the moment she was excused, and tripping eagerly along the smooth path began to look for new buds or blossoms.

"Oh, what a lovely rose!" she exclaimed, stooping over a tiny shrub—not a rose bush by any means—and just as her tiny nose came into proper position for a good smell of the very gorgeous rose, away it went whirling right over the garden fence as if bewitched. Pinkie, looking up in amazement, saw nothing, but heard a voice very like Bobby Prince's in laughing tones, chanting:

"April Fool! April Fool!

Wash your face and go to school!"

Pinkie was astonished—and just a little scared; for she had never heard of All Fool's Day, nor of the silly custom of fooling. The disappearance of the rose and the chanting voice, so like Bobby Prince's seemed so mysterious! She stood wondering, looking this way and that as if expecting explanations; but none came so she ran quickly into the house to find "Jawge Wash'n't'n," the washerwoman's little boy, who had just come for the clothes, and drew him into a cosy corner to confide to him the story of the rose and the voice.

"Its the wonderfulest thing you ever heard of,

Jawge Wash'n't'n," she said speaking very softly. "The rose was growing and blooming just beeyewtifully, and I was trying to smell it hard's I could, and it flew off just like a bird over the fence and out of sight."

"Sho!" said Jawge Wash'n't'n, with a calmness of manner quite vexing to Pinkie Blue. "Dat's nuffin', dat's an April Fool rose you know! Some sassy boy done tie dat rose, spec its a paper rose, onter dat bush; an' den he hide 'hind de fince dar till he sees you 'xaminin of it; den ob course he histis it ober de fince wid his long string tied to it—an dar you is done fooled: Dont' yer see? It's you he's a hollerin' at 'bout washin' y'r face an' gwine ter school. Dat es de way white boys does April Fool Days—niggers, too, sometimes," added Jawge with great honesty, after a moment's thought.

Pinkie was more astonished than ever.

"What makes white boys do so?" she asked.

"Jis for fun, ob course, Miss Pinkie. Dars powerful fun foolin' sometimes—if you done git ketched."

WILL YOU SPEND A PENNY

For a Sick Friend?

Here is my proposition. I have written the six books shown below. I want no money. I simply desire the privilege of sending the book needed to some one who is not well—I will do more: To prove my faith in my newly found principles of curing the sick, I'll send you an order on your nearest druggist for six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Restorative. I will let you or your friend take it for a month; and if it succeeds he will charge you \$5.50 for it. If it fails your druggist will send the bill to me. I will tell him to trust to your honesty, leaving the decision to you. You will know then what my Restorative can do. My Restorative will gain your good will and endorsement under such a trial.

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"Well," said Pinkie, her cheeks flushing very red, "I think its very mean."

"Ya-as," said Jawge, reflectively, twirling on one toe, "it's mean when you gits fooled; but when you fools some pusson, it don't seem jist dat ar way."

"Why not?" asked Pinkie doubtfully.

"Oh, you jist fool some pusson an' see," replied Jawge, sagely.

"Pooh! Jawge Wash'n't'n," replied Pinkie Blue, "I wouldn't see any fun in such a stupid mean trick. And I shouldn't think you would. That isn't doing to others as you'd have others do to you, is it?"

Jawge was forced to admit that it was not. Just then Pinkie heard the Booth boy in the next yard, crying out to the hired man, "April Fool!" "April Fool!" and he laughed loudly as the man turned angrily upon him.

"De man ortent ter git mad," ventured Jawge, "Kase he knows it de fust ob April, an dats' allus Ap'l Fool Day."

"Did God make it for April Fool's Day?" asked Pinkie.

"Dunno zactly," said Jawge, "spec likely he did."

"Oh no," said Pinkie's mamma, who came to tell Jawge the clothes were ready for him to take to his mother, "the first day of April was not made especially for fools. It is a silly custom and I hope people will cast it aside."

"I don't like it," said Pinkie Blue, "Wash my face, indeed! as if my face wasn't clean as anything. 'Tisn't very polite, I think."

"No," said mamma; "It is not a polite custom, nor did it have its beginning with a polite people! Christian nations have copied the absurd practices of these days from the heathen. The old Romans, who were heathen or pagan people, held on this day a festival of such rough unchecked folly that it came to be called "Feast of Fools." Every sort of senseless speech and action was allowed on this day; but even among the old Romans I think, there were some who would scorn playing fools even for one day. The Hindoos, too, had a festival day of rude folly called, "The Festival of Huli." I suppose other nations copied from these as we read of no earlier celebrations of fools. It's a pity sensible people should so imitate the foolish ones."

"Ef dey mus' imitate 'em, said Jawge Wash'n't'n, looking very interested, "I sh'd think they mout fool 'em in some 'greeble manner, sich as s'prisin some pusson wid something sort o' nice. Der wouldn't be no foolishness 'bout dat ar."

"That would be very sensible," said Pinkie, gravely. "I believe I'll April Fool like that. Jawge Wash'n't'n, I guess I'll begin with you. You go out to the back gate and stand there till I come. Oh, I guess you'll be s'prised!"

Jawge Wash'n't'n obeyed the little

lady, but he had heard of so many tricks in his day that he could not help saying as he went,

"Now, Miss Pinkie, don't you forget to come out dar sure 'nuff, kase dat 'ud be a more onreasonin' Ap'l foolness 'n dat rose foolin'!"

Pinkie meant all she said; so she ran to the nursery and from her store of toys selected several that she knew

her mamma would permit her to give and hastening back to the gate cried, "Hold fast all I give you," as she thrust the toys into the delighted boy's hands.

"Is dem yer pretties fer me, Miss Pinkie?" he inquired.

"Yes," said Pinkie, "now arn't you s'prised?"

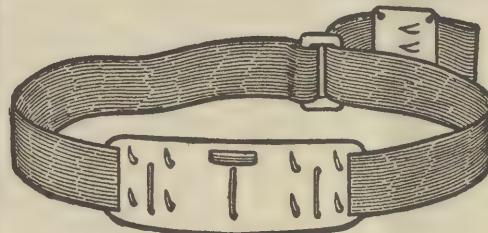
"Dar a'nt no strings an sich like

tied onter 'em to sind 'em flyin' ober de fence, soon's I git out in de alley?"

"No, indeed!" said Pinkie Blue, "and I won't tell you to wash your face either. It's my own way for April Fool s'prises."

"Yes," said mamma, "that is a good way. Let there be surprises but nice ones."

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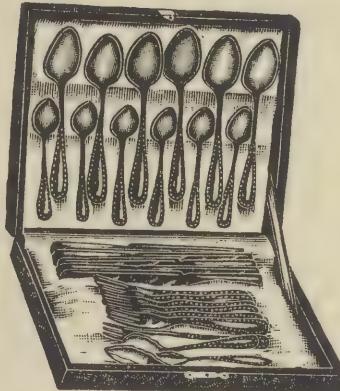
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BIRDS IN APRIL.

'Here when cloudless April days begin,
And the quaint crows flock thicker day by day,
Filling the forests with a pleasant din,
And the soiled snow creeps secretly away.
Comes the small busy sparrow, primed with glee,
First preacher in the naked wilderness,
Piping an end to all the long distress
From every fence and every leafless tree.'

Archibald Lampman.

How hard it is to stay within doors in April! Everything calls to us, the bleeding-heart poking through the moist soil in the garden, the ferns uncoiling their round woolly fronds in the woods, and always the birds coming in increasing numbers, and calling with a thousand voices to come out and enjoy the sunshine too. The wants of the body at this sweet time of the year seem a greater annoyance than usual. We have tired of the heavy food of the winter, and with most of us the system craves acids. To meet this craving, Nature has provided the useful and toothsome rhubarb or pie-plant, which is better in any form than that of a pie, except when this national dish takes the form of a "turn-over." Nothing is more indigestible than a soggy pie, and I have never seen a rhubarb pie yet that was not open to this reproach, even in New England kitchens where the condiment pie had its birth. The "turn-over" remedies this fault. First make your rhubarb sauce, with as little liquid as possible. Then in a shallow tin bake your pie crust, making it short and crisp. Just before serving turn your crust on a plate, pour over it your rhubarb and serve *hot*, seeing that both plate, crust and sauce share in this same quality. So many cooks fail in this matter that many dishes otherwise palatable become tasteless and good for naught. Food should be served hot or cold, never lukewarm, and this dictum applies equally well to beverages, and particularly to soups.

The spring season is the one of all others when acid pickles are a relish. One does not weary of them every day. A few chopped and added to the ever agreeable salad will be found tasty, and the salad dressing whether mayonnaise or plain French will stand more lemon juice or vinegar than has been used during the winter.

A very nice dessert at this season can be made in several ways from such fruit as is still in the market.

One grape-fruit, two bananas, and half, or even quarter of a pound of malaga grapes are the ingredients. The grape-fruit is cut in small pieces after being carefully peeled, and the bitter white skin removed. The bananas are peeled and sliced thin in little rounds, the grapes may be cut in half and pitted or not, just as you please. These ingredients are mixed together and well sugared and allowed to stand for several hours before serving, and they should be placed on the table as cold as possible. Oranges may be used instead of grape-fruit, and if they are not acid

ones a few drops of lemon juice remedies this defect. For company this dish is more ornamental with the addition of a few preserved cherries which may be bought by the ounce, but they are not at all necessary to its refreshing tastiness.

If one lives in the "pie-belt" and must have them to satisfy the male members of the family there are several changes which can be rung on this ancient theme.

In all these varieties the crust is made separate and the filling is added. If you choose to have the crust only at the bottom you may insure a good shape by treating it as follows: Roll the paste about one-eighth of an inch thick, spread it in a pie-dish and let it shrink, not pressing it very hard into the dish. Put a little twist of paste around the edge, or pinch the edge with a fork. Be sure to prick the bottom with a fork also. Lay over the crust a piece of thin greased paper, and fill the crust with rice, or corn meal, or dried peas, or anything that will make it keep its shape and is dry. Bake it in a moderate oven, and when it is done remove the filling and you will have your pie-case ready for use. There are many nice fillings for this case. Any preserved fruits you may have, and even the bought canned fruit can be dressed up so as to be palatable also. Apricots or peaches are the best kinds and can be treated like fresh fruit. Or you can lay the halves of the fruit in the case, take the juice and sweeten it and put it on to boil. When it reaches this point add one teaspoonful of arrow-root dissolved in a little cold water, and let it cook till it is clear. Then pour it round the fruit and let it get cold. A few blanched almonds laid on top add to the appearance but are by no means necessary.

If you have any tart apples left a delicious pie can be made with them. Bake your crust, and cut the apples into small pieces, say eighths. Put them into a little water, with sugar and some drops of lemon juice and stew till tender, but do not let them lose their shape. Lay them when cooked in the crust in over-lapping rows. Take the water in which they were cooked, add a tea-spoonful of arrow-root, and cook till clear. Pour it over the apples and let it get cold. Sprinkle the top with a little cinnamon, sugar and nutmeg. Serve with or without cream. One can of fruit will make two pies. Two or three crusts can be baked at one time and reheated. Almost everybody has her own particular receipt for pie-crust, but we give the following one which hardly comes under the head of puff-paste, but is very nice for these open tarts: Two cupsful of sifted flour; yolks of two eggs; threequarters of a cup of butter; one tablespoonful of sugar; one-half tea-spoonful of salt. Stir flour, sugar and salt lightly together. Cut the butter into the flour, etc., with a knife. When well mixed together add the beaten yolks, and enough water to make a paste which is not very stiff. Roll it out not more than three times, put it on a plate and cover it closely

or wrap a cloth about it, and put it in the ice box, or where it will get thoroughly chilled. Let it stay there for about an hour, then make into cases and bake.

In making pastry it is often forgotten that everything should be kept cold, the handling as light as possible, and spoons or beaters used in preference to the hands.

To our thinking all cooking is simplified and improved by keeping the hands out of it, a wooden spoon, a wire beater, or a galvanized spoon being a much more cleanly and effective weapon. Many cooks think, however, that hands were made before spoons as well as forks, and that both bread and cake can be better mixed with them. In this we do not agree.

This is the season when the appearance of the table is a factor in stimulating the appetite. Something fresh and green should decorate it for every meal. But in all your planning strive to get out of doors as much as possible; the summer season with its wilting heat is not far away, and spring was given us that we might be braced and born anew.

N. Hudson Moore.

THE APRIL SUNSHINE.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

O, come out, the sun is shinin'—put your busy cares away,
Just forget that you have duties,—come an' have a spell o' play;
For the soft, warm April breezes leave a greetin' at your door,
An' the April sun is shinin' as it never shone before.

You have duties that demand you? You owe duties to yourself,
An' the life-revivin' sunshine is of much more worth than pelf;
An' the person who can garner in a store of April's wealth,
Reaps a fair an' bounteous harvest, rich in peace o' mind an' health.

O, the bright young grass is springin' in the yards along the street,

An' the sky is smilin' brightly, an' the air is warm an' sweet,
And an odor of the woodland comes to us, from far away,—
O, come out,—the sun is shinin'—come an' have a spell o' play.

There is health an' there is gladness,—there is peace in April days,—

'Tis a joy just to be living an' to watch the mystic ways
Of the new, glad life returnin' in each wakin' branch an' sod,
It is Nature's resurrection time—the handiwork of God.

Hear the hurdy-gurdy playin' music, loud an' glad an' strong,—
See the little lads an' lasses skippin' happily along,—
Come an' listen to it, Mothers,—open wide the hall-way door,
An' be happy with the children, as you used to be of yore.

O, come out,—the sun is shinin';—let your endless duties go,—
It was never meant that you should all the time toil, an' so
Just forget that you have duties,—drop your cares for one short day

An' come out into the sunshine,—come an' have a spell o' play.

Benjamin B. Keach.

APRIL TIME.

APRIL is here!

There's a song in the maple, thrilling and new;
There's a flock of wings of heaven's own blue;
There's a veil of green on the nearer hills;
There's a burst of rapture in woodland rills;
There are stars in the meadow dropped here and there;
There's a breath of arbutus in the air;
There's a dash of rain as if flung in jest;
There's an arch of color spanning the west;

April is here!

—Selected.

What Robin Told.

How do robins build their nests?

Robin Redbreast told me.
First a wisp of amber hay
In a pretty round they lay,
Then some shreds of downy floss,
Feathers, too, and bits of moss,
Woven with a sweet, sweet song,
This way, that way and across,—
That's what robin told me.

Where do robins hide their nests?

Robin Redbreast told me.
Up among the leaves so deep,
Where the sunbeams rarely creep,
Long before the winds are cold,
Long before the leaves are gold,
Bright-eyed stars will peep and see
Baby robins, one, two, three;—
That's what robin told me.

George Cooper.

The Water Lily and Its Culture.

ARTICLE NO. 3

When and How to Plant.

The season for planting is approaching. My rule is to plant hardy Nymphaeas soon after corn planting time and the Lotuses two or three weeks later; that is when the weather is settled and the water warm enough to comfortably work in. It is a mistake to plant Water Lilies too early. Nothing is gained and often they are chilled and injured. It is best, however, not to wait until the last moment to place your order. This applies to any kind of stock. Late orders are often filled hurriedly and from stock that has been culled over. Place your orders early and instruct your florist to ship at the proper time.

We have already spoken of where to grow Water Lilies—streams, lakes, ponds, swampy places, tanks and tubs—and also of seed sowing. Those who have not decided where to plant should do so at once and have everything ready when the Lilies come. New tubs and tanks should be soaked a few days before using.

Now is a good time to prepare the soil and get it in place. Remember Water Lilies are gross feeders. I find one-fourth well rotted cow manure to three-fourths garden soil suits them best. If the manure is not available, use bone meal liberally. If the manure is green, in decomposing it will stagnate the water and injure your lilies. Then be careful that it is thoroughly rotted. If you have any doubts on this point, put your soil into the water now, and by planting-time you can tell whether it is fermenting or not. Muck from the bed of a pond or swamp is an ideal soil for Water Lilies.

Water from cisterns, ponds, streams—any fresh water—is suitable for Water Lilies. Mineral waters are not injurious; salt or "brackish" must be avoided. Water from cold wells or springs should not be run directly into the lily beds; it chills them. Their whole culture may be summed up in this: warm water, rich soil, plenty of sunshine.

PLANTING in tanks, ponds or any open water, select a sunny place with mud bottom, wade out into the water about knee deep, open a trench in the mud with your hand, lay the root in

and cover about two inches; a little deeper for large lilies and a little shallower for small ones will be better. It is often convenient to plant the lilies in boxes of soil sunk in the ponds. For the larger Nymphaeas and Lotuses, boxes should be three feet square and one foot deep. The sides of the boxes should be a little deeper if it is desired to confine the Lotuses. They are very impatient and if given an opportunity will jump out of the quarters allotted to them and ramble all over the pond.

WHAT VARIETIES TO PLANT. With a good catalogue, one need not have any difficulty in selecting the Water Lilies that suit him. There are now more than 100 varieties cultivated in the United States, representing all shades of red, blue and yellow with plenty of white. There is no blue among the hardy varieties and yellow is very scarce in the tender ones. I will mention a list of twelve best hardy Nymphaeas, for outdoor planting:

- N. superba (white)
- N. tuberosa rosea (red)
- N. " Richardsoni (white)
- N. Alba (white)
- N. " Gladstoniana (white)
- N. " Candidissima (white)
- N. Marliacea rosea (red)
- N. " carnea (pink)
- N. " chromatella (yellow)
- N. odorata rosea (pink)
- N. " Caroliniana (pink)
- N. " sulphureus (yellow)

Six best tender Nymphaeas for general planting:

- N. Devoniensis (red)
- N. O'Marana (red)
- N. dentata (white)
- N. Lotus (white)
- N. corulea (blue)
- N. Zanzibarensis azurea (blue)

Six best Lotuses for general planting. They are also hardy:

- N. speciosum, Egyptian (pink)
- N. roseum (red)
- N. striatum (striped)
- N. Shiromani (double white)
- N. luteum (American yellow)
- N. album grandiflorum (white)

These represent all the colors, from medium to largest sizes—free blooming—healthy and so easy to cultivate that any one may grow them.

Geo. B. Moulder.

Her Easter Hat.

(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

Miss Dandy Lion came to town
To buy an Easter hat;
She did not care for blue or brown,
And looked at this and that.
She finally chose a gold and green,
And tied it 'bout her face.
It was becoming, so t'was seen,
And added to her grace.

With pride she nodded here and there,
And all her dearest friends
Cried—"Ah, it makes you look most fair,
And to your face it lends
A sweet enchantment so divine
That to you all must yield."
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**WESTERN NEW YORK
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.**

By Florence Beckwith.

(Concluded from March number.)

In the report of Professor F. C. Stewart on Plant Diseases, it was stated that the brown rot was most destructive in 1901. This is caused by a fungus growth which starts very early in the spring. It kills twigs as well as the leaves of apricots, cherries, Japanese plums and peaches. Spraying with Bordeaux and picking off the decayed fruit were the prescribed remedies for plums, pears and peaches. Spray early, before the buds open. Sulphate of copper is the best remedy for cherries, in the proportions of two ounces of sulphate to forty gallons of water; or three ounces to fifty gallons. Keep spraying every day for ten days. No unfavorable results appear on the foliage and no spots on the fruit. Bordeaux is good for black knot fungus; it discourages it. Early treatment with weak Bordeaux will prevent leaf curl on cherry; spray just before the blossoms open. Rotten fruit can be easily removed from trees by using a piece of lath with a notch cut out of the end. By removing decayed fruit from the tree a greater proportion of the crop can be saved.

In view of the present and increasing necessity of spraying fruit trees, it is believed by the most progressive growers that dwarf stock will be of great advantage. An illustrated paper giving the results of experiments in grafting on Doucain stock at the Geneva Experiment Station, was given by Professor S. A. Beach. These experiments are to be continued in co-operation with growers.

Mr. H. W. Collingwood, of the Rural New Yorker, advocated the Stringfellow method of root pruning, saying that he had set out one thousand peach trees in this way on rocky ground, in order to see if peaches could be raised on that land without clearing it of stones. He had cut all the side roots from the tree to be planted, and put it in a hole in the ground made with a crowbar. Around each tree he had poured some sand and water and left it to take care of itself. The tops of the trees had not made as much growth as those planted by the common method, but some of them had sent down tap roots six or seven feet. These served, like the roots of Alfalfa, to bring up moisture from the deeper ground.

The Stringfellow method had been pronounced worthless by Mr. Powell and others, but Mr. Collingwood evidently has the courage of his convictions and will not be deterred by ridicule or arguments from giving it a thorough trial.

Mr. Collingwood strongly urged those present to plant the cowpea to enrich poor land, saying no crop would do more with small outlay.

In answer to some of the questions the following ideas were brought out:

It was thought doubtful if thinning the fruit on a Baldwin orchard in years of over production would ensure a crop the next year, unless the trees were young. No success had been obtained in trying to change the bearing year.

Wrapping apples in paraffin paper and orange paper was recommended by Mr. Willard. Fruit packed in this way was in better condition when received at the Pan-American, and held up better.

Mr. Udell had packed apples in leaves with good results; had fine Kings in July; put about half a barrel in apples, the rest in leaves.

Roxbury Russets were said to be in demand in Germany, and Ladyfingers. Gillyflower is a good variety to raise for the Southern market; there is always a demand for them in Baltimore.

It was stated that better prices were obtained abroad when apples were wrapped separately and packed in boxes. Another member said that dealers in fruit in Great Britain preferred to receive American apples packed in barrels. They sorted them over and sold them by the pound, making a greater profit.

A member said that a New York commission merchant had told him that while the western New York apples are of the best quality the growers do not know how to pack them, and, consequently, the preference is given to carefully packed California fruit, which is often placed on the market as "Western New York fruit." Dealers often purchase apples by the barrel and sell by the box, making greater profit by so doing.

Growers were urged to follow the example of California packers, carefully grade their apples as to size, and mark on each box or barrel the number of apples contained. Many New York dealers are illiterate, Italians, but they see at a glance what they buy and quickly figure up their profits.

Professor I. P. Roberts deprecated the idea of shipping all the best apples to the large cities and abroad, saying that even now it was impossible to get any good fruit in small packages, and begged that some choice kinds be raised and kept for home consumption.

It was pronounced comparatively easy to control the tent caterpillar by spraying.

As a new fruit, the Bing cherry was pronounced worthy of cultivation. It is four inches in diameter, dark meaty, not subject to rot, and very productive.

Campbell's Early is one of the best early grapes. The Niagara peach was said to be very fine; quality as good as that of the Crawford, for which some growers are substituting it.

The Rome Beauty apple has never been brought forward as it deserves. It is an annual producer, fruit large and handsome, with a long stem which enables it to swing in the wind and not blow off like short, thick-stemmed apples.

The Red June plum is the best of the Japanese varieties. It is not hurt by frost, ripens the earliest, July 21st, and brings a higher price than any other, except some of the very latest kinds. Abundance is sometimes hurt by early frosts. It is good to eat from the hand, but not good for canning or shipping. The Burbank lasts three weeks for marketing, is good for canning and produces larger crops than any of the others; it does not rot. The Hale is a rank grower, quality good but color poor. October Purple is a large, cherry-red variety; fruit drops badly. The Japanese plums have many good qualities but are not profitable in a commercial way. They come early, but most of them are clingstones. The Satsuma is freestone and a good variety. The Wickson plum is beautiful to look at, productive, but too soft for long distance shipping. Reine Claude is one of the most desirable plums, but it is short-lived; it does well when top-grafted on the Lombard.

The Wilder is a good late currant, large as the Fay, bright color, productive, a long keeper. President Wilder and Versailles are good varieties.

Perfection is very productive, has large clusters and large fruit; quality superior; good habit of growth. The Comet is a good variety, compact clusters, large fruit, long stem, fine appearance; quality not as good as Perfection.

The Dykeman cherry is a very desirable variety in Northern Michigan, but does not do so well in New York. The Windsor is one of the most desirable sweet cherries produced. It is hard-wooded, grows large, is productive and brings seventy-five and eighty cents for a ten-pound basket.

The Rathbun is a good blackberry, entirely satisfactory in quality, and pronounced hardy at Geneva, N. Y., by Mr. Willard. The Mammoth blackberry is very large and attractive in appearance, but quality is poor. Columbia is a good black raspberry, and Early King a good red one. The Lucretia dewberry, if well pruned, will produce quantities of fruit. Sun scald of gooseberries can, perhaps, be prevented by planting in the shade.

Potash will improve the color of fruit and improve the flavor; it increases the sugar of the grape. It was stated that Mr. Hale was using it in his peach orchards.

The Yellow St. John ripens a week earlier than the Crawford and is a good, yellow, freestone peach.

Pears should be picked early for cold storage. Duchess, Louise, Bosc, and Anjou are all good varieties, the latter considered by some the best of all. The Howell was pronounced good for export.

In reply to the question: "What is the best variety of market apple, not mentioning the Spy, Greening, Baldwin and Wealthy," Hubbard's Nonsuch, Duchess of Oldenburg, Sutton's Beauty, Pound Sweet, McIntosh Red, Spitzenburg, Twenty Ounce, Canada Snow, Jonathan, Grimes Golden, and Keswick Codlin were named.

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Out from its sunned and sheltered nooks
The blue eye of the violet looks;
The southwest wind is warmly blowing,
And odors from the springing grass,
And sweet birch and the sassafras,
Are with it on its errands going.

Whittier.

The great thing in the world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving.

Oliver Wendell Holmes.

I cannot do without your magazine; it is like an old friend.—Mrs. R. C. W., North Platte, Neb.

I like the magazine. It is worth a great deal more than you ask for it.—A. W. M., Metuchen, N. J.

"To watch the corn grow or the blossoms set; to draw hard breath over ploughshare or spade; to read, to think, to love, to pray, are the things that make men happy."

Ruskin.

An old English Proverb reads:

"If the Oak is out before the Ash,
'Twill be a summer of wet and splash;
But if the Ash is before the Oak,
'Twill be a summer of fire and smoke."

We value the magazine very highly for its various features, and think it continually improving.—C. H., Aurora, Ill.

Now is the time to improve your back yard. If up to the present it has been a dreary waste, devoted to the reception of all the odds and ends of things and adorned by heaps of coal ashes, spade it up; work over it until the soil is made as fine as possible; use some bone meal for fertilizer if no other can be obtained; set out some shrubs and hardy perennials; plant some vines to run over the fence and have some beds for annuals, and vegetables. Let the children who are large enough have a bed in which to plant seeds, and leave a corner for a pile of sand for the little ones to play in. The back yard is for the family pleasure; the front lawn is for the passer by.

Don't fail to set out at least one ornamental shrub, tree or vine this spring. You can surely find some place for it, and, if it is one which you have never before cultivated, there will be additional pleasure in watching its growth and development. If you have plenty of early blooming kinds, plant some which will bloom later, and thus prolong the season. Or, if you have none with rich, dark foliage, like the purple-leaved Barberry, you will appreciate the beautiful contrast made with other shrubs. Or, plant some kinds which will produce bright colored fruit and thus brighten up the late fall and early winter days; they will also furnish food for the birds, which may thus be tempted near your dwelling.

I think your magazine excellent. No fault to find with it, or the price, or your treatment.—Rev. W. C. S., Reidville, S. C.

Changes in the conditions of country life have been rapidly improving it during the last few years, and its advantages are becoming appreciated. The network of electric railways which is being spread all over the land enables the suburban resident to reach his place of business in the city in a very short space of time, and the rest which a closer contact with nature gives is becoming a great and almost irresistible attraction to those who are closely hemmed in by brick walls during the day. The man of moderate means can buy a small place, fit it up gradually to suit him, and, in a few years, he would not exchange it at any price for a much more pretentious house in the city with no pleasant outlook and no yard for the children to play in. Those who are going to make changes this spring should consider these things, and carefully weigh the advantages of fresh air, freedom, quiet, and a pleasant outlook against the noise and the close confinement of city life.

I enjoy reading your magazine so much. It is always a welcome visitor and I only wish it came oftener.—Mrs. A. S., Ladue, Mo.

The number of women who are making the cultivation of flowers a business, is rapidly increasing. Sometimes a woman grows into the business by almost inappreciable degrees, perhaps by having been unusually successful in raising some particular flower for which there is a demand and which she is unexpectedly asked to supply. Or, sometimes it is by assisting the male members of the family and thus gradually growing into the business until some exigency of life makes her assume the whole burden.

Whatever the motive or the cause, the occupation of raising flowers for sale is certainly one peculiarly fitted for women to pursue. The manual labor necessary is not so great as to be much of a strain physically, and it is much healthier to be out of doors, at least a part of the time, than to be confined in office or store. Then, most women seem to be naturally gifted with taste in arranging flowers for bouquets or decorations, and thus the field widens.

We believe that it is possible for women whose time is not wholly at their own disposal to gradually work into profitable business of this kind. It is said, on good authority, that some men carry on the business of raising plants under the names of women, because they find that it pays. We wish that more women would engage in this business instead of going into stores and factories. They would certainly be healthier and happier.

I am very much pleased with the magazine and it never can come too soon.—Mrs. J. B. L., Springbrook, Wis.

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I saw a copy of your January, 1902 number, and I must say I like the able writing. I enclose subscription for one year.—R. H. W., New Burnside, Ill.

Nothin' Done.

Winter is too cold fer work;
Freezin' weather makes me shirk.
Spring comes on an' finds me wishin'
I could end my day's a-fishin'.
Then in summer, when it's hot,
I say work kin go to pot.
Autumn days, so calm an' hazy,
Sorter makes me kinder lazy.
That's the way the seasons run,
Seems I can't git nothin' done.

Lippincott's Magazine.

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"God could not be everywhere—so he made Mothers"

MINE.

Mine, all mine, my very own;
In the border-land of the dim unknown
I fought with Death for her and won.

Mine, all mine, my heart's delight;
No diadem of jewels bright
Is half so precious in my sight.

Mine, all mine, to hold and kiss,
The while I pity those who miss
This perfect cup of mother-bliss.

Mabel Cornelia Matson.

Note.—Attention is called to above little gem. Who can fail to feel the perfection of composition and simple directness in the above poem which so faithfully expresses the inner joy of every mother who clasps her own wee babe to her heart.

RECIPE FOR LOWNESS OF SPIRITS.

Take one ounce of the seed of Resolution properly mixed with the oil of Good Conscience; into it infuse a large spoonful of the salts of Patience. Distill very carefully a composing plant called "Other's Woes," which you will find in every part of the Garden of Life, growing under the broad leaves of Disguise; add a small quantity as it will much assist the salts of Patience in their operation.

Gather a handful of the fair blossoms of Hope; then sweeten them properly with a syrup made of the Balm of Providence; and if you can get any of the seed of True Friendship you will have the most valuable remedy that can be compounded or administered for this disorder. But be careful to get the seed of True Friendship as there is a seed that very much resembles it called Self-Interest but which will spoil the whole composition.

Anon.

"A little nonsense now and then,
Is relished by the best of—women."

The Chicago Tribune gives the following illustration of "where women's time goes."

"Please state to the court exactly what you did between eight and nine o'clock on Monday morning," said a lawyer to a delicate looking woman on the witness-stand.

"Well," she said, after a moment's reflection, "I washed my two children and got them ready for school, and sewed a button on Johnnie's coat and mended a rent in Nellie's dress. Then I tidied up my sitting-room and made two beds and watered my houseplants and glanced over the morning paper. Then I dusted my parlor and set things to rights in it, and washed some lamp chimneys, and combed my baby's hair and sewed a button on one of her little shoes; and then I swept out my front entry, and brushed and put away the children's Sunday clothes, and wrote a note to Johnny's teacher asking her to excuse him for not being there on Friday. Then I fed my canary-bird and swept off the back porch; and then I sat down and rested a few moments before the clock struck nine. That's all."

"All, all!" said the dazed lawyer. "Excuse me judge; I must get my breath before I call the next witness."

How many of you have raced through those breathless morning hours and accomplished less. Full many a time have I tried to imitate above—and ended in figuring how many hours she would require for an ordinary day's work. It is this constant straining which ruins health, temper,

and beauty. Nervous prostration seldom comes to the wisely preventive mother who insists on a daily nap and relaxing evenings followed by early sleep. She who sleeps enough is well insured. By the way just read this:

THE ALMIGHTY'S TREATMENT OF NERVOUS EXHAUSTION.

"When Elijah was utterly depressed in mind, and believed that his brave attempt to create a reformation in Israel had completely failed, and that there was nobody left that cared for the true God, and was ready to die of a broken heart—then God gave him a quiet desert, far from distraction; then a good sleep; then a comfortable meal, then sleep again; then more food—and then a six week's vacation!

After that he recovered his spirits, and was greatly improved in his religious feelings, his faith in God, and in bodily condition. One's religious moods, if not his religious life, may often depend on the health of the body."

Canada Lancet.

THE MOTHER IN THE SEWING ROOM.

Let me give one suggestion for those fondly (foolishly) proud and devoted mothers who seem to believe their lives are not lavished freely enough in the care and birth of children, and so must squander strength and eyesight to prove their value as mothers by elaborate quantity and quality of clothes. Little girls are early taught to prize a display of fussy underclothes more than a daily good hour with mother.

Pray—what good is this self-immolation? What virtues does it implant I have known such be-ruffled children to actually lack an individual room of any charm. Which would they more likely remember in after years—the new gowns or suits and nobby hats or—a home-like room, "all my own?" Or some attribute of distinct individuality may be made when a separate room is impossible.

I see merely beauty alone in dainty garments; but in a "fairy-tale" or "Noah's Ark" bed coverlet I see a deftly woven chain to bind the memories of childhood in after years.

Save all the white muslin scraps. On small pieces outline a Greenaway figure or an animal, bird, or flower. On large squares embroider in flax a scene from Cinderella or Red Riding Hood (omit the wolf) or Old Mother Hubbard. Or contrive an Alphabet Quilt. Let each child possess one of these quilts while occupant of "the crib," and keep it as a souvenir. It will pay. Give your boy "a patriotic room" and keep adding trifles whose motif coloring is "red, white, and blue." Let him have tools and help in adding book-shelves, etc.

How many mothers believe in the "reward of merit" system while training to habits of neatness and order?

Will those who write me be sure to send letter on separate paper and not as part of general business letter? If lady from Hyde Park, Ohio, who wrote about "Mother Play" book offered by me will write me again I will answer. Her letter was on business and thus not for me unless copied.

W. Haines—I regret delay in replying but the authorship of that verse "Better to strive and climb," is not settled yet. Will write again when discovered.

"Let us forget
The slights, the stings, the anguished tears
That marked the paths of by-gone years;
The bitter cup, the dark despair,
The one sad hour which none might share,

Let us forget.

Let us forget

All but the love, the grace, the light
That bore us to our present height,

And haunting ghosts of grief and care,
The guise of angel hosts shall wear;
Let us forget."

THE MOTHER AS A NURSE.

"Better be despised for too anxious apprehensions than ruined by too confident security."

"Spring Fever" is a commonly-heard term. We seem to expect illness or weakness in the spring. Now let the prudent mother fumigate and see that nothing is rotting in the cellar. A clean kitchen is a glory, no doubt, but who can prize a clean cellar too highly? As an "ounce of Prevention" use the laxative before mentioned in these pages, i. e., California Fig Syrup, (note the name in buying) and do not use violent, weakening physics.

Eat fruit each morning (evaporated sorts will do) and cream on some form of cereal. If, however, you have allowed a fever to get started, examine tongue, throat, and pulse, (better have one of Taylor's Clinical Thermometers and abolish all guess work), pay attention to natural functions of kidneys and bowels—use a mild laxative—and either induce perspiration by foot bath and hot herb teas or employ Homeopathic remedies.

By the way, I know excellent results can be obtained by rhubarb, a mild cathartic peppermint and sage as tea, and daily doses of red clover and wormwood tea. Not very good tasting though. Let the grandmothers speak of what they know about herbs.

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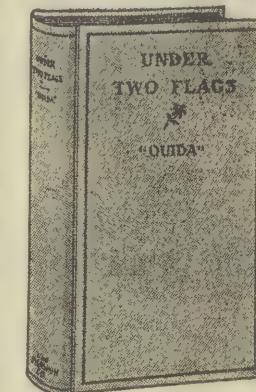
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Seed orders should be placed betimes to insure the return of exactly such good varieties as are ordered. Superior varieties in kind usually produce less seeds than ordinary ones, and the whole being limited, less quantities of the best are of necessity grown. Besides the importance of securing good varieties, it is also advantageous to have all plump and well ripened. So important is the latter condition considered by expert growers, that they sometimes sift or blow the lighter samples from bulk and only sow the largest. Seedsmen are prone, in late years, to attach their names to a great variety of vegetables and other seeds, which they thus mark as improvements on standard varieties. The fact that they do this should be proof that some personal trouble has been taken to grow particular ones well by weeding out rogues, etc. It must be conceded, therefore, that these particular selections are likely to give satisfaction. As a rule these particular seeds are slightly dearer than the ordinary ones, but are well worth the increased charge, because no greater mistake can be made than to sow and grow indifferent stuff upon lands which have been costly in money or labor to prepare. It may assist amateurs if we give the names of good strains in the leading classes, adding the remark, if the seller's name stands as a prefix to any it should be taken as a good sign, rather than otherwise. Peas:—Chelsea Gem (dwarf early), Gradus and Duke of Albany. Broad beans:—Giant, Seville, long pod, for early; Green Windsor for late. Runner beans:—Ne Plus Ultra, Dwarf kidney, Negro, long pod, (early); Canadian Wonder (main crop). Asparagus:—Conover's Colossal, or the new white, named Snowcap. Beet:—Nutting's dark red or turnip rooted (suitable for shallow soils). Brussels sprouts:—Aigburth. Cabbage:—Defiance. Carrot:—Early scarlet short horn. Celery:—Prize Pink, (red) and Sandringham, (white); the former only for main crop. Lettuce:—Paris Cos and Iceleaf for summer; black seeded: Bath Cos and Standstead Park (cabbage) for winter. Onion:—Ronseham Park, Bedfordshire Globe and Ailsa Craig.

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Manure and turn up all fallow grounds, so that they retain a necessary degree of latent moisture and by subsequent natural cohesion, become suitable for seed germination and root-hold. Though all lands, turned up may not receive their quota of “seeds or sets” for some weeks, the soil will, so to speak, assimilate the fertilizing properties of the manure and the roots when they permeate it find a properly prepared larder to freely and gratefully delve into. These remarks are prompted by the numerous unkempt allotments and other mistakes in vegetable grounds observed on all sides. It is an indefensible error to neglect such work until late in the season. Many as suggested, do not think of digging up their ground until Good Friday, when early crops should be in and progressing; fortunately, that period is earlier this year than last, and the fact that it is a shifting date does not say much for those who follow it in this matter.

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Rhubarb for Home Use.

The culture of rhubarb, or pie plant, for home use, is too much neglected in the average country districts. Almost every family would use considerable of the vegetable in early spring if an ample supply were at hand. The plant will stand a great deal of neglect, being a relative of the yellow-dock, and almost as hard to kill. Of course in growing for market there is no profit unless the plant is given the best of care and fertilization, but enough could be produced for home use by almost any method.

A few roots set out the south side of a garden wall will start early, and furnish abundance of material for making pies, dumplings, sauces, etc., in the spring. This supply is especially welcome after a winter in which apples have been scarce. Families who move on to a new farm will find that the quickest way to produce a supply of material for pies, sauces, etc., is to set out rhubarb plants. If these are obtained by dividing old hills they will begin growing at once, and can be pulled a little the first season. The vegetable is easily preserved by canning, and is nearly as fine flavored as when fresh. It is also good to preserve by drying, cutting it in short pieces and drying in the same manner as sliced apples, or running it through an evaporator. The stalks may be cooked before drying if preferred. When ready for use, soak and use the same as dried apples, or mix with dried apples for sauces and pies. A dozen hills will supply an average family. Linnaeus is the best kind for home use. This variety can be planted two feet apart in the rows, the rows being four feet apart. Rhubarb needs a deep and very fertile soil. The great secret of success in raising it is high manuring. It is a gross feeder, and requires a liberal application of manure every year. A grower whose small patch produces rhubarb of enormous size, explains his success from his practice of throwing soapsuds over the ground on washing days. He has sold \$30.00 worth from a patch of two and one-half rods in a single season. *The New Rhubarb Culture.*

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Prize Gardening.

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If your first hen brings off but four or five chicks and half of them prove to be cockerels, don't neglect them, for in five or six months they will be the pride of your flock.

Very few hens will have laid steadily enough to finish their run, and want to sit, and if such a case develops in your flock, by all means encourage it, though you have to set the hen in your house. Early chicks will be rare this spring, and of course, correspondingly valuable. Coddle the broody hens.

The strongest chicks are produced from the old old hens, mated with a vigorous cockerel. There is a wide difference between trying to raise strong, vigorous chicks, and weaklings.

For that white scale on the legs, the proper treatment is to anoint occasionally with an ointment made of lard and sulphur. If you don't want to bother with this, dip the legs, a few times in kerosene.

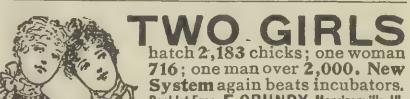
The moment a fowl shows signs of being sick it is well to separate her entirely from the rest of the flock. Especially is this essential at this season, when they are closely housed, as the sickness may be roup, or some other contagious disease.

Pullets will not lay as long a string of eggs without a rest, as old hens will, but after laying half a dozen to a dozen, they will stop for a week and then begin while old hens generally continue, if conditions be favorable, until two or three dozen are laid.

A man may make every other department of his farm pay well, and fizzle out on his poultry. It is often because he considers poultry beneath his dignity to fuss with and if he is not blessed with a wife who will fill in the gap, this important branch of the farm is sadly neglected.

There is one great danger in running the poultry and pigeon business together, and that from lice. The pigeons flying, as they do, all over creation, and mingling with other birds, in old barns, steeples and rookeries, are bound to pick up and bring home lots of lice. Unless great care is taken these are easily communicated to the poultry, and then you are in for a fight.

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Poultry.

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If you won't build anything else in the shape of a scratching pen, then set some poles on the slant and lay boards across and then cover with straw and stuff for a roof, fill in underneath with litter and scatter grain in. On pleasant days the hens will take lots of comfort there, though deep snow cover the ground all around. Shovel a path from the roosting place to this scratching pen and they will find it all right.

Breed only from your best fowls this year, just as an experiment. Separate half a dozen of your "singing" hens with the best cockerel you muster, and take extra care of that pen, saving all their eggs. When you have a broody hen set those eggs, and keep doing that through the season. You will be amazed next fall at the improved appearance of your flock. You can grade your hens just as you do your stock, and it won't cost you a cent, unless you want to buy some new stock or eggs.

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and somewhere there is a market for all the poultry and eggs that can be raised. The very next year there is likely to be a scarcity, because so many people grew tired of poultry and killed or sold their flocks, and went out of the business. The man who raises pork or potatoes when none of his neighbors are doing so is more than likely to be the winner when selling time comes, and the same is true of poultry. Don't be afraid that over-production will ever drive you out of the poultry business.

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If you embark in the poultry business with the same caution; make the same preparation; display as much judgment, and study it as well; and put in as much hard work, as you naturally would into any other legitimate business in which you might engage, there will be but one outcome, and that will be that you will make it pay. You may not get rich, or anywhere near it, but you can make enough so that you will keep at it, and refute the statement of shiftless people that poultry keeping is a losing game. It is a business that an enterprising woman can handle quite as well as a man can, and in many cases better. He might not be willing to acknowledge it, but many a farmer would find a big hole in his year's receipts if his wife should discontinue her efforts in the poultry line. He sees her place a big basket in his wagon when they go to town, and after she has scrambled out of the wagon alone, seized the basket and disappeared into her favorite grocery, he thinks no more about it, but hustles along to his favorite "horseshed" for his favorite glass of beer. One thing he does know, if he would stop to think, and that is that he never spent a dime for groceries since he was married, as "the woman allers looks after that sort o' truck." He might have added that they were paid for with the basket of eggs that his wife coaxed from the hens, that she raised herself, and to the care of which he never raised a finger. Had he inquired he would also have found that the pretty hat, and the neat jacket that his wife wears were not the result of his bounty, but were paid for with egg money, and it is a close thing if he wouldn't have to smoke mullein leaves occasionally, but for the thoughtfulness and egg money of his diligent spouse. If that sort of a man, and his name is Legion, would just take a few days off, and go at it deliberately and build a decent henhouse, according to the plans his wife has in her head, he would help her wonderfully in the proper care of the fowls, and his poultry would be the best paying institution on his farm.

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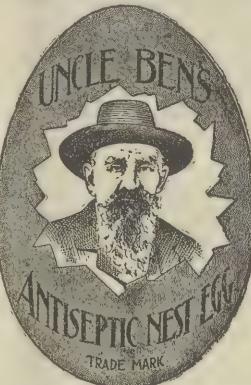
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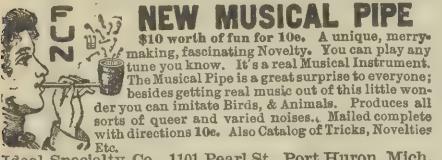
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English Walnuts (Concluded.)

Mr. Kramer is an enthusiastic advocate of planting English Walnut trees, saying that they are perfectly hardy, ornamental as well as useful, and much superior to many of the trees commonly planted on our lawns and along our streets.

The trees can be raised from nuts; not those sold in the stores, which have been kiln-dried and bleached, but those gathered fresh from the tree and planted in the fall. Or, the nuts may be placed in layers of moist sand as soon as gathered, and kept in a cool place until early spring, then should be planted so as to be covered about two inches in depth. If one wants to experiment a little and have the pleasure of watching the plant grow, a nut can be planted in a flower pot in the fall and transplanted in the spring.

If nuts are planted where the trees are to stand, it is said that the best and tallest trees are obtained, but time will be gained by purchasing young trees from nurserymen, as they will sooner come into bearing. A tree two to three years old, transplanted from the nursery grounds, will bear in five or eight years. When a number of trees are planted they should stand about fifty feet apart, and should receive about the same attention and cultivation as an apple tree. The young trees are very tender when growing and should be tied to stakes with strips of cloth, to prevent swaying in the wind. They require but little pruning. Some of the longer limbs should be shortened back when the tree is young, and, when older, if the lower branches are in the way of cultivating, they can be removed.

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Spinal Curvature and its Cure.

Abnormal curvature of the spine may come on at any age. It may occur in children from a fall upon the nates, as in play, a chair is pulled away so that the child sits down suddenly upon the hard floor. We have seen spinal curvature result in this way in two cases. It may arise from the child's desk being too low, and the wrong posture being taken while attending school. Often a child, overgrown or backward in his studies, is put in the primary department. The desks being small he is forced to bend

forward, thus curvature of the spine is brought on. School teachers, bookkeepers and literary people are subject to spinal deflection from the same cause, improper posture, long continued. The physicians of the Philo Burt Manufacturing Company, 52 Fourth St., Jamestown, N. Y., makers of the celebrated spinal appliance for curvature of the spine, tell us that of the thousands of patients wearing their appliance, the greater part contracted the curvature from improper posture, bending the spine in a particular direction, especially when tired from long standing or sitting.

Their appliance, of course, corrects this curvature by taking the weight of the head and upper part of the body from the tender and weakened spinal column, and placing the weight on the hips where it should be.

There are different forms of curvature, forwards and backwards, sideways, or as it is often called, lateral-curvature and a form called roto-lateral curvature because the spine is bent sideways and at the same time is rotated on itself. The spinal nerves may be pressed upon, causing all manner of diseases, fits, convulsions, indigestion, dim sight, disease of the heart, liver, kidneys, in fact any organ fed by the nerve pressed upon, may be disorganized in function, so that it is very important to find out very early if any spinal curvature be present, and this is often difficult to do, for the curvature may be very slight at first, but will grow worse if a proper spinal support is not worn. The physicians should strip each patient to the skin and examine him carefully. This care is not often taken, and before the curvature is discovered, it has grown very bad and other diseases have followed as a result.

In addition to the Spinal Appliances mentioned, the patient should be instructed to use Spinal gymnastics, pulling the body up by the arms, should carry no weight in the hands, and alternate dashes of cold and hot water along the spine should be given twice each day.

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(Written for Vick's Family Magazine.)

Men's clothes are benefitted as much by careful attention as women's and show the effect of neglect very quickly. To prevent the coats from wrinkling, get a few hangers such as dry goods dealers use to hang them on, and you will find them much better than hooks or nails. This is an economy in closet room also, for they can be placed very close together.

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keep brushing toward the bottom.

A good cleansing fluid for coat collars and spots on clothing is almost indispensable. Obtain soap bark from a druggist, put a handful in a vessel, and pour over it a pint of boiling water. Let it stand two hours, then strain and add a tablespoonful of powdered borax which dissolves quickly and it is ready for use. Sponge the soiled places with this until clean; then with clear water. Cover with a cloth that will leave no lint and press dry. When you have finished, you will find that the spots have entirely disappeared. A little borax dissolved in a strong suds made of good soap and warm soft water will cleanse woolen goods nicely.

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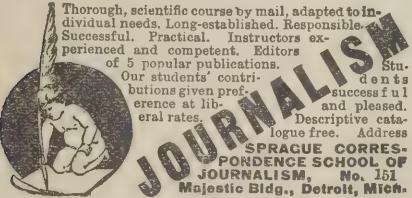
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Robert Browning.

Some Things the President Cannot Do.

Now that Theodore Roosevelt has become President of the United States, he is virtually a prisoner within the confines of the country of which he is the head, and has not the many liberties allowed to an ordinary citizen.

One of the unwritten laws which will govern President Roosevelt is that he cannot leave the country. But two Presidents have been accused of violating that law. The first was President Arthur. He was accused of crossing into Canada while on a fishing excursion, and the charge occasioned much excitement. Grover Cleveland, while on a hunting trip to North Carolina, sailed around Cape Hatteras, and was thus obliged to go outside the three-mile limit, and this, in the minds of many, constituted leaving the United States.

This rule does not apply to any official but the President.

Kings and queens are not bound so tightly as is the President of the United States. Note the Queen of England's visit to France, the recent visit of the Czar of Russia to France, and the travels of other prominent European monarchs. President Roosevelt cannot go away. He cannot delegate his powers to another. This is one of those "unwritten laws" that are so powerful in their effect.

A foreign legation or embassy is foreign ground. This is actually so if the ground upon which the legation or embassy stands is owned by the government.

A foreign ship in port is foreign territory, and the President cannot step his foot on board. President Roosevelt may not formally call on any one but a President-elect, an ex-President, a President of a foreign State or a reigning monarch visiting Washington. This ancient ruling comes down to us from George Washington's time. President Roosevelt should not accept an invitation to dinner. It is an impropriety, but has lately been ignored. President Roosevelt should receive only very intimate friends on Sunday. This still holds good at this late day.

The President cannot carry a personal card. One card does for all Presidents. The card reads just "The President." He cannot accept valuable gifts of any kind from anybody. All gifts presented by various other nations to American Presidents generally find their way into the National Museum. A President should never allow himself to be interviewed. Two have—Tyler and Cleveland.

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By Stanley Littell

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There was nothing to be done but to surrender to this determined lady—I don't deny that one of us was no very reluctant prisoner—and so our tragedy was converted into a farce, and we marched down the narrow pathway, two and two, in somewhat ludicrous procession — first Everard and Miss Grey; then Count Waldemar and M. de Beaulieu, the latter ineffectually striving to conceal his murderous implements under an overcoat; finally Mrs. Seymour and myself.

"Well, Mr. Clifford," began my companion, as soon as we were fairly under way.

"Well, Mrs. Seymour?"

Of course I saw that she knew what we had been about.

"I should have believed this of a great many people—of Count Waldemar, for instance, who is a foreigner, or of Mr. Everard, who has lived so much abroad—but not of you."

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"Mr. Clifford, you are excessively rude, and, begging your pardon, excessively silly too. I never was accused of flirting before in my life. I can make allowances for Herr von Ravensburg, because he is—well, because, for many reasons, it is not unnatural that he should misunderstand

things; but that you should not have seen long ago that Mr. Everard is engaged to my cousin, Miss Grey, is more than I can comprehend. The engagement would have been announced before this, only I did not want it talked about just at first, because Mr. Everard is not very well off, and my people rather objected to the match. Now, however, everything is settled; and when Count Waldemar has apologized, as I intend him to do before breakfast, I hope we may all shake hands, and forget how foolish some of us have been. But I must say I shall have some little difficulty in pardoning you for doing your best to kill the two firmest friends I have in the world."

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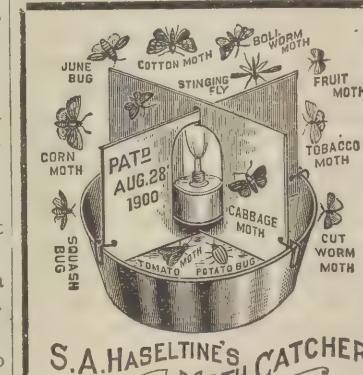
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"I shall not answer any questions which might get innocent people into trouble. But I may mention that if you had not yelled with laughter in that unseemly way, the night that Count Waldemar behaved so disgracefully, my maid would not have run out into the garden to see what was the matter."

"Oho! Is your maid that very well-dressed lady whom I sometimes see walking with Everard's man on Sunday afternoons?"

"Never mind. Will you go on now, and entertain M. de Beaulieu, please?

"And may I ask you to send Herr von Ravensburg to me? I have a few words to say to him."

The nature of those few words I was enabled to surmise by the guttural ejaculations which reached me as I descended the hill beside the Frenchman. Just as we approached the house Count Waldemar brushed past me, looking a trifle crest-fallen, and hurried up to the couple who were waiting for us at the door.

I was too far off to hear what passed; but the Count's utterances were always embellished with so much pantomime that it was easy to form a pretty accurate guess at what he was saying, so long as he was anywhere within range of eyesight. I saw him standing, hat in hand, before Miss Grey, rigid as to his legs, but violently agitated from the waist upwards. I saw him fling his arms about wildly, and feign to tear out his hair by handfuls. Then he turned to his late antagonist, bowed three several times most profoundly, indulged in a little more gesticulation, and finally seized him by both hands, and almost shook him off his feet. Everard did not look more than half pleased; but Count Waldemar was not the man to be abashed by a little coldness. Having accomplished his task, he faced about, and came striding back towards us with his wonted cheerful equanimity very nearly restored.

"Now I have made all goot," said he, in the tone of a man who expects to be thanked. "Mrs. Seymour, I hope you are content mit me?" Mrs. Seymour laughed. "Let us go in to breakfast," she said, without replying to the Count's question.

I cannot say that that breakfast was in any sense a success. Our hostess was charming, and did all in her power to set us at our ease, and Count Waldemar, as usual, talked a great deal; but, upon the whole, I think everybody was very glad when the repast came to an end. I, for my part, was conscious that, however excusably, I had made a fool of myself; M. de Beaulieu barely disguised his dissatisfaction at the tame conclusion of the affair in which his services had been

enlisted; Miss Grey never opened her lips, and Everard was evidently rather sulky. I suppose those thorns still rankled a little.

He and his fiancee seized the earliest opportunity that offered to escape into the garden, and immediately afterwards M. de Beaulieu took his leave. Upon this I said I thought I would go out on the verandah and smoke a cigar, and as neither of the two remaining members of the company offered any objection to my departure, I suited the action to the word.

It was very pleasant out on the verandah. In the garden at my feet, the standard roses, yellow, pink, creamy, and white, were drinking in the sunshine; and every now and then I caught a glimpse of Everard and Miss Grey pacing slowly side by side among the myrtles and tamarisks. Surveying this idyllic prospect with quiet contentment, I fell into a pleasant day-dream, which, by an easy transition, revolved itself ere long into a refreshing slumber. When I awoke it was to find Count Waldemar and Mrs. Seymour standing before me hand in hand.

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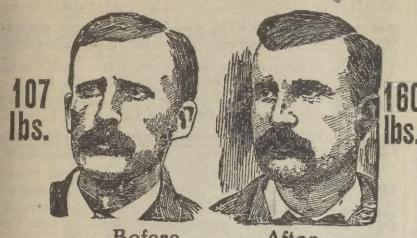
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